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MINUTES

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 14TH.

THE THIRTY-SECOND Annual Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America convened in the First United Presbyterian Church of Spokane, Washington, Friday, May 14th, at 7:30 p. m.

Following an organ prelude, Mrs. L. R. Free, the First Vice President of the Convention and presiding officer of the evening, led in evening worship, Our Sovereign Lord, being the subject. After an anthem by the choir Mrs. H. G. Edgar of Spokane, extended a most cordial greeting to the assembled delegates and friends, Mrs. L. R. Free responding.

A beautiful solo, "Consider the Lilies," by Miss Grace Wolgamott preceded the introduction of the President of the Convention, Mrs. Haidee Ewing Rankin of Canon City, Colo., by the chairman.

Mrs. Rankin gave us the "Key Note"

of the Convention "The Lord Reigneth" in her excellent address. After singing No. 47 the President announced the following Credential Committee: Mrs. H. G. Edgar, Spokane; Miss E. M. Aiken, Monongahela; Mrs. Frank Getty of Philadelphia.

Mrs. Jordan of Seattle, Wash., extended an invitation from the Women's Missionary Union of Seattle to the members of the Convention to attend a banquet in their honor on Friday evening, May 21st. She requested that persons expecting to accept the invitation notify her.

After announcements by Mrs. G. G. Wilson, the Chairman of the local committee, we were dismissed by prayer and benediction by Mr. G. G. Wilson, Pastor of the Fourth Church.

Ten members of the Women's Board who were present were brought to the platform and introduced to the delegates, following which a very enjoyable social hour was spent in the church parlor in making new and renewing old acquaintances.

SATURDAY MORNING.

8:45—Mrs. J. H. Miller, of Rock Island Presbyterian, led the morning worship, "Overshadowing Darkness," being the subject. Mrs. Comin and Miss Shepherd led in prayer.

At the close of the service the President presented the program with a few corrections to the Convention. Mrs. Rutledge moved that the program be adopted. Motion carried.

The minutes of the previous session were read and on motion adopted.

The report of the Credential Committee which was on motion adopted showed a total of 88 officers, delegates and life members present.

Roll was called, showing the following persons present:

OFFICERS.

President—Mrs. Haidee Ewing Rankin, Canon City, Colo.

First Vice President—Mrs. L. R. Free, Philadelphia, Pa.

Secretary—Mrs. J. T. Logue, Cleveland, Ohio.

Treasurer—Mrs. J. B. Hill, Pittsburgh, Pa.

DELEGATES.

ALLEGHENY.

Mrs. W. R. Wilson.
Mrs. A. D. Bolton.
Mrs. W. L. Simpson.
Miss Blanche Copeland.
Mrs. Geo. B. Monks.
Miss Emma Hileman.

ARKANSAS VALLEY.

Mrs. Elizabeth Dobbin.

BEAVER VALLEY.

Miss Luella McKee.
Miss Ursula Springer.

BUTLER.

Mrs. J. M. Martin.
Mrs. Mary A. Montgomery.

CEDAR RAPIDS.

Mrs. Anna Eddy.

CHARTIERS.

Mrs. W. P. Aiken.
Mrs. Bell M. Hill.
Mrs. J. V. Clark.

CHICAGO.

Mrs. Emma L. Cody.

CLEVELAND.

Mrs. L. S. Fritz Randolph.

COLLEGE SPRINGS.

Mrs. P. C. Oliver.

COLORADO.

Dr. Marion O. Wilson.

CONCORDIA.

Mrs. D. M. Finney.

CONEMAUGH.

Mrs. John R. Caldwell.

DELAWARE.

Miss Ada King.

Mrs. A. G. King.

DES MOINES.

Mrs. Nira Rees.

GARNETT.

Mrs. Allie A. Clarke.

IDAHO.

Mrs. J. B. Story.
Mrs. R. J. Picken.

ILLINOIS SOUTHERN.

Mrs. Robt. Rutledge.

INDIANA.

Miss Eula Deputy.

INDIANA NORTHERN.

Mrs. E. A. Edmunds.
Mrs. T. E. Crooks.

IOWA NORTHWESTERN.

Mrs. C. F. Hoffman.

KANSAS CITY.

Mrs. Anna Eagle.

KEOKUK.

Miss Kate Megchelson.
Mrs. Hervey Bell.

KISKIMINETAS.

Mrs. T. C. McKelvey.

LAKE.

Mrs. C. J. Brown.

LE CLAIRE.

Mrs. M. H. Wilson.

LOS ANGELES.

Miss Irma G. Allen.

MERCER.

Mrs. H. B. Hoon.

MONMOUTH.

Mrs. D. W. McQuiston.

Mrs. Gus Ericson.

MONONGAHELA.

Mrs. J. C. Hare.

Miss Eva M. Aiken.

Miss Janet L. Brownlee.

Miss Minnie McKean.

MUSKINGUM.

Miss Margaret Shepherd.

OMAHA.

Mrs. J. McClair.

OREGON.

Mrs. Kuckup.

PAWNEE.

Mrs. Katie Eastwood.

PHILADELPHIA.

Mrs. Frank Getty.

Mrs. L. R. Free.

PUGET SOUND.

Mrs. J. H. Tucker.

Mrs. C. C. Lyle.

Mrs. Ella Jordan.

Mrs. T. M. Gamble.

ROCK ISLAND.

Mrs. J. H. Miller.

Miss Alice Irene Hunter.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Mrs. J. C. Alter.

SPOKANE.

Mrs. H. G. Edgar.

STEUBENVILLE.

Mrs. R. W. George.

TENNESSEE.

Mrs. C. H. Johnson.

TEXAS.

Mrs. W. R. Gray.

UNCOMPAHGRE.

Mrs. R. G. Smith.

WESTMORELAND.

Miss Florence Mattox.

WHEELING.

Mrs. C. W. Comin.

WISCONSIN.

Mrs. Frank A. McKenzie.

XENIA.

Mrs. Robert Livingstone.

HOME MISSIONARIES.

Miss Irma G. Allen.

Mrs. T. E. Crooks.

Mrs. C. H. Johnson.

SARGODHA, INDIA.

Miss Emma Dean Anderson.

GUJRANWALA, INDIA.

Miss Henrietta Cowden.

Miss Jane Martin.

WOMEN'S BOARD.

Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter.

Mrs. Samuel Yourd.

Miss Jennie H. Clark.

Mrs. J. B. Hill.

Mrs. John S. Crawford.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell.

Mrs. Wm. S. Cook.

Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson.

Mrs. I. H. Milliken.

Miss Elizabeth Milligan.

MAGAZINE COMMITTEE.

Mrs. George Moore.

Mrs. S. M. Kelso.

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

Mrs. S. B. Donaldson.

LIFE MEMBERS.

Mrs. Mary Copeland.

Mrs. A. W. Wilson.

Mrs. Frank Getty.

Mrs. J. C. Hare.

Mrs. T. C. McKelvey.

Mrs. W. R. Gray.

Mrs. M. C. Ramaley.

Mrs. A. G. King.

Miss A. C. King.

Mrs. W. S. Cook.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell.

Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter.

Miss Jennie Clark.

Mrs. S. Yourd.

Mrs. J. B. Hill.

Mrs. I. H. Milliken.

Miss E. D. Anderson.

Mrs. Mary A. Montgomery.

Miss Jane Martin.

Mrs. John S. Crawford.

Mrs. W. P. Aiken.

Mrs. J. V. Clark.

Mrs. Hervey Bell.

Mrs. L. R. Free.

Mrs. S. M. Kelso.
 Mrs. George Moore.
 Miss Elizabeth Milligan.
 Mrs. Robert Rutledge.
 Mrs. H. B. Hoon.
 Mrs. Comin.

Miss Kate Megchelson.

On motion of Mrs. Campbell all corrections were referred to the Credential Committee.

The President appointed the following committees:

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Mrs. Louis S. Fritz Randolph, Cleveland.

Mrs. W. P. Aiken, Chartiers.

Mrs. Nira Rees, Des Moines.

Mrs. Ella Jordan, Puget Sound.

RESOLUTIONS.

Mrs. A. W. Eddy, Cedar Rapids.

Mrs. Emma L. Cody, Chicago.

Mrs. R. G. Smith, Uncompaghe.

MEMORIALS.

Mrs. J. C. Alter, San Francisco.

Mrs. C. J. Brown, Lake.

Mrs. W. R. Gray, Texas.

TELLERS.

Mrs. Dr. Wilson, Colorado.

Miss Margaret Shepherd, Muskingum.

Miss Eula Deputy, Indiana.

Mrs. Katie Eastwood, Pawnee.

Miss Ada King, Delaware.

PLACE.

Miss Luella McKee, Beaver Valley.

Mrs. D. W. McQuiston, Monmouth.

Mrs. J. McClair, Omaha.

NOMINATIONS.

Mrs. W. R. Wilson, Allegheny.

Mrs. Hervey Bell, Keokuk.

Mrs. T. C. McKelvey, Kiskiminetas.

The report of the Recording Secretary, Mrs. John S. Crawford, was read and on motion of Mrs. McKelvey was adopted.

The statistical report was given by the Secretary, Miss Jennie H. Clark. Miss Clark reported advancement in almost every phase of the work. Twenty-six Presbyterials contributed to the

Isaiah Fund. Fifteen societies ranked their standard above ninety per cent. in the Standard of Efficiency. Miss Brownlee moved the report be adopted. Motion carried.

Miss Clark moved that a committee be appointed, with Mrs. Alter as Chairman, to bring out more fully the points in the Standard of Efficiency; committee to report at this Convention. Motion carried.

Mrs. Alter, Mrs. Mary Montgomery and Mrs. Alice Clark were appointed by the chair.

Mrs. J. B. Hill, Treasurer, gave a most encouraging report, showing many Presbyterials giving more than last year, in spite of the financial depression in the country. As usual every obligation has been met and there is a balance in the treasury. On motion report was adopted.

The report on Ministerial Relief was also given by Mrs. Hill, and on motion adopted.

A telegram was received from Maud W. Raymond, Honorary Chairman of the local Committee of Woman's Congress of Missions, San Francisco, extending greetings and urging attendance of members of the Convention at the meeting to be held in San Francisco, June 6-13. Mrs. Alter moved that the Secretary reply to the telegram. Motion carried.

Mrs. Robert Rutledge led us in the "Quiet Hour," her theme being "Prayer: Its Teacher, Luke 11:1." Mrs. Rutledge, by her scripture readings and remarks led us into the very closet of prayer, which she designated as God's distributing station.

Following the "Open Hour," Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson gave the report of the Finance Committee, which on motion was adopted.

Home Secretary, Mrs. W. S. Cook, in giving her report asked that continued interest and support be given to the maintenance of the E. D. Brown Dormitory and the Infirmary at Frenchburg. On motion of Mrs. Copeland, report was adopted.

Mrs. Samuel Yourd, Freedmen Secretary, gave her report which showed an increase in the gifts to the Freedmen's work from the W. G. M. S. She also reported that Detroit Presbyterial had assumed the salary of a missionary. A request that the women continue to remember this field in their prayers and gifts was made by the Secretary. Report on motion was adopted.

The morning session was closed with prayer by the President.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

1:30—Mrs. G. G. Wilson, chairman of the local committee, presided at the afternoon session, and Mrs. D. M. Finney, of Concordia Presbyterial, led the afternoon worship.

The report of the Indian Secretary was heard, and on motion adopted.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Foreign Secretary, reported seventy-five out of the ninety salaries pledged, for which the W. G. M. S. is responsible in the foreign field.

On account of conditions brought about by the war, work has not yet been started on the Tanta Girls' Boarding School, and work has been stopped on the Tanta Hospital because of lack of funds. No new missionaries were sent out last year until January, when one was sent. It is hoped that seven will be sent this year. Report on motion was adopted.

The report of the Young Women's Secretary, Miss Ida B. Little, was read by Mrs. Yourd. This report showed an increase in contributions from the young

women, three hundred and four societies contributing. Report was adopted.

The report of the Junior work given by Mrs. I. H. Milliken, Secretary, was most encouraging, showing that the Juniors had contributed to every department of work of the W. G. M. S. and that the amount was larger than had been given any previous year. The new work assigned to the Juniors is the building of a boys' dormitory at Camden for the Freedmen, to cost \$2,500.00. Report on motion was adopted.

We were again led very close to the throne of grace by Mrs. Rutledge in the "Quiet Hour." During the "Open Hour" Mrs. Johnson, our Freedmen representative, sang several solos which were much enjoyed by the Convention.

Mrs. John S. Crawford, in the absence of Mrs. R. C. Morton, Temperance Secretary, read her report. Mrs. Morton urged that our aim for the coming year should be, first, greater zeal in our own church temperance work, a total abstinence society in every home, a total abstinence society in each of our organizations, in care of a well informed temperance secretary. Second, double contributions for the building up of Christ's Kingdom, and also double contributions for the tearing down and destroying of Satan's Kingdom. Report was adopted.

Mrs. S. B. Donaldson gave a report of the Women's Association work. Report on motion was adopted.

The report of Mrs. J. D. Sands, Parsonage Secretary, was read by Mrs. Crawford, and on motion adopted.

The report of the Literature Secretary, Miss R. Elizabeth Milligan, was read and on motion adopted. Special notice should be taken of the "Prayer Cycle" which has been published by this department. It contains valuable in-

formation and is intended to assist the members of our church to pray intelligently and definitely for the fields and the workers under our care.

After singing the twenty-third psalm, Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter gave the report of the Thank-Offering work. This report showed a large increase in the life membership roll, both Senior and Junior, as well as large gifts of gratitude from societies, many societies being on the honor roll the past year. Report on motion was adopted. Session adjourned.

SATURDAY EVENING.

"Coast Night."

7:45—Miss Irma G. Allen, one of our Coast Missionaries, led the Evening Worship, the "Everlasting Light" being her subject. Mrs. Jordan of Seattle, and Mrs. J. B. Story of Parma, Idaho, led in prayer, and Miss Grace Wolgamott rendered a beautiful solo.

A pageant—"A Light to Lighten the Gentiles"—was most beautifully and effectively given by twenty-nine of the young women of Spokane. This was followed by an address on "The Field On the Coast," by Mrs. A. W. Wilson, of Mt. Vernon, Wash.

Mrs. E. A. Bryan's paper on "Coast Immigration Problems" was read by Mrs. Bowie. Both of these addresses were intensely interesting and were listened to with rapt attention. The numbers rendered by the men's chorus were enjoyed by all.

An offering was lifted and No. 60 of the Psalter Hymns sung, after which the benediction was pronounced by Rev. G. G. Wilson.

SABBATH AFTERNOON.

3:00—Memorial and Communion Service was held in the Convention Church,

with the Pastor, Rev. H. F. Given, presiding.

During the past year five much beloved missionaries have been removed by death—Violet Scott Ayres, Emma A. Minger, Elizabeth Gordon, W. E. Nicoll, and Rev. J. W. Ballentyne. Mrs. J. C. Alter gave the memorial address, which very appropriately led up to the Communion address given by Rev. Arthur Kenyon, Pastor of the Second Church. Rev. H. G. Edgar and Rev. G. G. Wilson, the pastors of the Third and Fourth Churches, assisted in the service. The service was a very impressive one, long to be remembered by the delegates in attendance.

SABBATH EVENING.

7:45—The Thank-Offering Service was in charge of Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter, the Thank-Offering Secretary. The Key-Note of the service was "Scripture Lessons for God's Stewards." Following an anthem by the choir the congregation sang from the Psalter Hymns, "A Call to Worship." Mrs. G. G. Wilson led in prayer.

A responsive service was followed by a song of praise, during the singing of which the Thank-Offering bearers marched to the front of the platform, placing the report of their offerings in baskets. A prayer of thanksgiving was given in concert by the bearers, and Mrs. Rankin offered the prayer of Consecration. Mrs. Porter then announced the offerings by Presbyterials, the total amount being \$77,969.58, with one exception the largest offering that has ever been given. \$1,042,566.86 has been given by the women of Egypt, India and America in Thank-Offerings from 1888 to 1914.

A trio sang a beautiful thanksgiving anthem as the congregational offering was lifted. Miss Emma Dean Anderson

took us in our imaginations to a thank-offering service in far off India. The picture was a vivid one and showed us how eager the women of that benighted land are to offer the gifts of gratitude for the blessings bestowed upon them.

Miss Cowden, Miss Martin and Miss Anderson sang a psalm in Punjabi. A re-consecration service was followed by the prayer, "Gift of Self," by Mrs. Porter, singing of the Doxology and benediction by Rev. H. G. Given.

MONDAY MORNING.

8:45—Morning Worship was led by Mrs. C. F. Hoffman, "Our Sovereign's Plan" being the subject. The thought impressed upon us by this service was, we are to follow God's plan and not our own. The minutes of the previous sessions were read, and on motion adopted. One name was added to the roll.

Mrs. Campbell moved that foreign missionaries be enrolled from Presbyterials instead of country. Motion carried.

On motion the report of Credential Committee, which showed eighty-nine delegates present, was adopted.

The Committee on Nominations presented three names for each office for the officers of the Convention. Eight for the Women's Board and two for the Magazine Committee. This report was on motion adopted. Three other persons were nominated for President from the floor. Mrs. Milliken moved that nominations close. Motion carried, and Convention proceeded to ballot.

An invitation from the Chamber of Commerce to take an auto ride about the city Tuesday afternoon was received by the Convention.

Mrs. John S. Crawford gave notice of the Corporation meeting to be held June 1, 1915, at 10:00 a. m., in the Assembly Room, Publication Building,

209 9th Street, Pittsburgh, Pa. All delegates living in the vicinity of Pittsburgh, are expected to attend. Mrs. Campbell moved that any further ballots sent to the tellers be refused. Carried.

The financial report of the Magazine Committee was given by Mrs. S. M. Kelso and on motion was adopted. Mrs. Geo. Moore made an earnest plea for more interest in the Magazine and more subscribers. She urged that our aim be the placing of the Magazine in 16,000 homes by January 1, 1916, and our slogan, "We Can Do It, If We Will."

The report of the Secretary of the Junior Magazine, Miss Carrie Reed, took the form of a soliloquy from the "Wee Magazine" stating its difficulties and encouragements as it tries to make its way into the homes of the children. Report adopted.

As the business of the day had overlapped the time of the "Quiet Hour," Mrs. Rutledge moved that the "Quiet Hour" be omitted. Motion carried.

At the close of prayer by the President, the delegates repaired to the small rooms for the "Simultaneous Conferences." Three-minute reports from the various conferences were given to the Convention at the close of the Conference hour. A motion was made by Mrs. Campbell that the report of the tellers be heard at this time. Motion carried.

The tellers' report showed no election of President or 2nd Vice President. The following persons were elected to the other offices:

First Vice President, Mrs. C. W. Comin, Bellaire, Ohio.

Secretary, Mrs. J. T. Logue, Cleveland, Ohio.

BOARD DIRECTORS.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell.

Mrs. M. C. Porter.

Mrs. W. S. Cook.

Miss Jennie Clark.

Miss Ida B. Little.

MAGAZINE COMMITTEE.

Mrs. Geo. Moore, Xenia, Ohio.

Mrs. S. M. Kelso, Xenia, Ohio.

On motion the report of the tellers was adopted. The further election of officers was on motion made the order of the day directly after lunch. Session adjourned.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

Miss Florence Mattox led the Afternoon Worship, after which the order of the day was taken up. Mrs. Campbell moved that the names of the two persons having the highest number of votes for the offices of President and Second Vice President be placed in nomination. Carried.

Mrs. Free, First Vice President, took the chair and introduced those bringing "Messages from the Fields." Miss Jane Martin, Miss Henrietta Cowden and Miss Emma Dean Anderson brought us messages from India. Mrs. Free followed these exceedingly interesting talks with prayer and Mrs. Story led in prayer for Miss Bell of Egypt, who was detained from meeting with us by the illness of a sister.

Miss Irma G. Allen of Inglewood, Cal., spoke of mission work along the Western Coast. Mrs. T. E. Crooks of Frenchburg, Ky., told us of the rugged mountain people, Mrs. C. H. Johnson, of Miller's Ferry, told us of our brothers and sisters of the Southland and Mrs. Lillie Kuckup, one of our red-skinned sisters, brought a message from our Indian Station, Warm Springs, Oregon.

Mrs. Rutledge in the "Quiet Hour" told us of some things to be remembered

about prayer, among which were that we should be definite in our prayer, to be constant in prayer and to pray without fainting.

During the "Open Hour" several Presbyterian representatives expressed their appreciation of the benefit received from the Isaiah Fund.

The Junior hour was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. The Juniors, dressed in costume, each one representing a different country, told in song and verse how they in their country treated their babies. At the close of their exercise, as a token of appreciation, the missionaries dressed in costume, sang for the Juniors, recited scripture and repeated the multiplication table in Punjabi. Mrs. Cotton and Mrs. Kuckup also sang for them.

The Field Secretary, Mrs. J. C. Alter, gave her report in which she urged aggressive work against intemperance, Mormonism and other evils, and more faithful work toward attaining perfection in the Standard of Efficiency. Report on motion adopted.

Mrs. L. R. Free gave an intensely interesting book review of the Mission Study Book, "The King's Highway."

The report of tellers was heard. Miss Lillian Robertson of Spokane was elected President and Mrs. M. H. Copeland of Tarentum, Pa., was elected Second Vice President. Session adjourned.

MONDAY EVENING.

7:45—Mrs. Finney led the Evening Worship; reading the 103rd Psalm; Miss Irma Allen and Miss Jane Martin leading in prayer. The choir sang "Seek Ye the Lord." Mrs. H. C. Campbell presided and presented Miss Martin, Miss Cowden and Miss Anderson, who gave us five-minute talks on the educational, evangelistic and medical work of

India. Mrs. J. B. Hill read a paper prepared by Miss Bell of Egypt.

Mrs. Cook, Home Secretary, introduced Miss Irma G. Allen and Mrs. Crooks. Miss Kuckup and Mrs. Johnson were introduced by Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson and Mrs. Samuel Yourd, the Secretaries of the work among their respective peoples. The five minutes allowed to each of the speakers was all too short for them to tell much of their work, but the audience showed its appreciation of their remarks by hearty applause.

The following names of eight young women were given by Mrs. Campbell as the new missionaries to be sent out to the foreign field: Miss Martha F. Strong, Miss Helen Jenette Martin, Miss Mabel Stewart, Miss Alice G. Burnham, Dr. Anna Jack, to India; Miss Elizabeth Robertson, Miss Edna Jean Giffin and Miss Ruth Eddy, to Egypt.

Mrs. Campbell gave a message to the missionaries from the Scripture. A solo and chorus by the choir and benediction by Rev. W. W. Reed, of Spirit Lake, closed an evening service which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

TUESDAY MORNING.

8:45—Morning Worship was led by Miss Teresa Lippert, of Spokane, "Our Assurance," being the subject.

A message from Miss Anderson brought the sad news that Mrs. Montgomery, her sister, a delegate from Grove City, Pa., had suffered a slight stroke during the night. Mrs. Porter, Miss Cowden and Miss Martin led in earnest prayer for the restoration of this dear one.

Greetings were received from Rev. and Mrs. Hays and the 115th Psalm sung as suggested in the greeting. Mrs. Campbell moved that a response be prepared

and sent by the President and Secretary. Motion carried.

Mrs. Campbell read a greeting from Miss Bell. Messages of sympathy were sent to Miss Anderson and Miss Bell by the Convention.

The Committee on Efficiency presented the following revised Standard of Efficiency, which on motion of Mrs. Campbell was adopted.

I. A ten per cent. increase in membership over statistical record of previous year.

II. (Sec. A). All missionary society funds to be sent through Presbyterial Treasurer to Treasurer of our Women's General Missionary Society. (Sec. B). Contributions sent to the Isaiah Fund. (Sec. C). Increase in contributions to all departments of our Women's Work.

III. All Reports, Contingent Fees and Pledges, attended to promptly when due.

IV. A definite share in Home or Foreign Missionary's salary.

V. A Prayer Circle to meet at stated times, or at call of President.

VI. Ten per cent. gain in number of subscriptions to our Women's and Juniors' Missionary Magazine.

VII. Systematic study of Mission Study Text Books, apart from the regular monthly meeting.

VIII. (Sec. A). A Young Women's Missionary Society or Sabbath School Class Auxiliary to the W. G. M. S. (Sec. B). A Junior Society or Little Light Bearers' Band.

IX. Increase in number of tithe payers in society, each one contributing according to her own standard of the tithe.

X. Increase in Thank-Offering with observance of one week, prior to annual ingathering for daily praise, intercession and self-denial.

Ten Points. Ten Credits to each Point. Honor Roll, one hundred per cent. Report annually to Presbyterian Statistical Secretary. "Study to show thyself approved unto God." 2 Tim. 2:15.

Mrs. Wilson moved that the Standard of Efficiency as adopted be printed on a stiff card the size of the Magazine and a copy be sent to the President of each society. This motion was amended to read: That the Standard of Efficiency be printed in such form that it may be placed in the hands of each member of the societies at a nominal cost. Amendment carried. Mrs. Campbell offered the following motion as a substitute for the amended motion: That the Board be instructed to print and send free to the Presidents of societies, sufficient quantity of "Standard of Efficiency" to supply every member of the society with a copy. The substitute motion was carried.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions which follows, was on motion adopted:

RESOLUTIONS.

1. RESOLVED—That the members of the Convention are deeply grateful to our heavenly Father for His loving, watchful care over us during our journey to this beautiful city, and we pray for a continuation of His protecting care as we journey onward at the close of the Convention, that we may all reach home and loved ones in health and safety.

2. RESOLVED—That the delegates and visitors to the W. G. M. S. Convention of 1915, desiring to express their appreciation of the untiring efforts of the Spokane ladies for the success of the wonderful Convention and the comfort and entertainment of their guests, take

this opportunity of extending our heartfelt thanks to everyone who has had a part in this service. We feel that nothing that could be done for our comfort, convenience and pleasure has been overlooked.

3. RESOLVED—That we extend to the Chamber of Commerce our appreciation and thanks for the courtesy shown our Board of Managers and delegates, a courtesy never before shown them by any commercial club. To Prof. Blair, to the pastors of the different churches, the choir, the young people, Juniors, ushers, and literature helpers for the part each has taken in the success of our Convention.

4. RESOLVED—That it is the sense of this Convention that the women of our Missionary Societies and the United Presbyterian Church in general should unite in prayer for the coming of peace in the lands across the sea, recommending that societies hold peace celebrations on Decoration day, or some suitable time.

5. RESOLVED—That since coming here this morning we learn with sorrow of the affliction which has come to the sister of Miss Anderson, wishing to assure Miss Anderson of our loving sympathy in her trial, we pray if it is God's will He will restore the loved one again to health and strength, but it in His wise Providence He sees fit to take her to Himself, she may be sustained by His love, for we know He doeth all things well.

(Signed)

MRS. A. W. EDDY.

MRS. R. J. SMITH.

MRS. EMMA L. CODY.

The following resolution was presented by the missionaries through the Resolution Committee and adopted by the Convention:

Many of our missionaries have been lovingly and most generously cared for in Columbia Hospital and we, the representatives of the India Mission in attendance at this Convention, do express through the Committee on Resolutions, our appreciation of this service rendered us and hereby extend our sincere thanks to the Woman's Association.

(Signed)

EMMA DEAN ANDERSON.

HENRIETTA COWDEN.

JANE E. MARTIN.

The report of the Recommendation Committee was heard and considered *sereatum*.

The amended report which was adopted as a whole follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON
RECOMMENDATIONS.

I. In view of the fact that delegates gather from all parts of our Church for the Women's General Missionary Convention, believing that the work of this organization should receive more deliberate consideration, and that each Convention should have the privilege of a Sabbath Day's service, it is recommended that the Convention be convened the Friday of the week of the second Tuesday of May, and be adjourned the following Tuesday evening, when agreeable to the entertaining Presbyterial.

II. That from January to May, a space of the Magazine be devoted to the Convention under the caption of the "Convention Department," subject to censorship of the editors.

III. It is recommended that the Magazine agent in every society widen her

plans to include every house in the congregation.

IV. The committee recommends that the "Open Hour" be devoted to discussion of points not well understood in the reports of the W. G. M. S.

V. It is recommended that the length of time of the "Quiet Hours" of the Convention be extended so that time may be given to prayer for special objects named by delegates to the Convention.

VI. We recommend that the date of the "Annual Day of Prayer for Home Missions" be published in our Magazine.

VII. That in view of the fact that the W. G. M. S. has reached over the million dollar mark, that more prayer, more effort, more zeal, and more enthusiasm be put forth in the raising of the second million dollar fund.

VIII. It is recommended that missionary work be especially emphasized in missionary societies, and that each department receive equal attention.

IX. That the delegates to this Convention consider themselves personally responsible in urging Presbyterial Secretaries to send to General Secretaries all blanks, properly filled out, and sent on time.

X. We recommend that the following change in the statistical report blanks be made, that the column designated "Congregational Work" be designated "Congregational Work in Home Mission Churches."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. LOUIS S. FRITZ RANDOLPH.

MRS. W. P. AIKEN.

MRS. NIRA REES.

MRS. ELLA JORDAN.

The Committee on Memorials reported no memorial received and asked to be discharged. Report on motion adopted.

Committee on Place reported no invitation. Report adopted.

Announcement was made of the congregational offerings. Thank-Offering, \$41.39; Contingent Fund, \$21.31.

Inasmuch as Argyle Presbyterial has assumed the support of Miss Houston, one of the Young Women's special missionaries, Mrs. Crooks moved that Miss Margaret Rodgers be assigned to the Young Women. Motion carried.

Texas contributed twenty-four subscriptions to the Magazine shower, and Tennessee twenty-two.

Minutes were read and adopted.

After presenting the new officers to the Convention, Mrs. Rankin expressed her appreciation of the help extended to her by all in making this Convention a success and closed with the following mizpah:

MIZPAH.

Go thou thy way, and I go mine;
Apart, yet not afar;
Only a thin veil hangs between
The pathways where we are,
And "God keep watch 'tween thee and me"
This is my prayer.
He looks thy way, He looketh mine
And keeps us near.
I know not where thy road may lie
Or which way mine will be
If mine shall be through parching sands
And thine beside the sea;
Yet "God keeps watch 'tween thee and me"
So never fear.
He holds thy hand, He claspeth mine
And keeps us near.
And though our paths be separate
And thy way is not mine
Yet, coming to the mercy seat
My soul will meet with thine.
And "God keep watch 'tween thee and me"
I'll whisper there.
He blesseth thee, He blesseth me,
And we are near.

MRS. HAIDEE EWING RANKIN, President.
MRS. J. T. LOGUE, Secretary.

REPORT OF RECORDING SECRETARY.

FROM THE City of Brotherly Love, where the Convention of 1914 was held, we find ourselves today in this great Northwest territory holding our Thirty-second Annual Convention in the beautiful city of Spokane.

While we cannot look for our largest gatherings in cities so far removed from the center of our churches' membership, we do earnestly pray that everyone present may so enter into the spirit of this gathering, that it may prove to be the most helpful and inspiring of any yet on record.

In last year's report the Convention was taken into the Board Rooms and introduced to the several members. If I could take you into the same room today you would find the same members bearing the same responsibilities. For this circle unbroken during the past year we give thanks to Him Who has guarded us all and strengthened us for His service.

We have held twenty-four regular and three special meetings, with an average attendance of 13 plus. Our meetings are called to order promptly at 10 a. m. I must say we do not adjourn as promptly, never before five and often from 5:30 to 5:45.

At our regular meeting of June 2nd, 1914, the following officers and department secretaries were elected:

Mrs. Mary C. Porter, President; Mrs. Samuel Yourd, 1st Vice President; Miss Jennie Clark, 2nd Vice President; Mrs. J. B. Hill, Treasurer; Mrs. John S. Crawford, Recording Secretary.

Miss Jennie H. Clark, Statistical Secretary; Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Foreign

Secretary; Mrs. W. S. Cook, Home Secretary; Mrs. Ada K. Wilson, Indian Secretary; Mrs. J. D. Sands, Parsonage Secretary; Mrs. Samuel Yourd, Freedmen's Secretary; Mrs. Mary C. Porter, Thank-Offering Secretary; Mrs. R. C. Morton, Temperance Secretary; Miss Elizabeth Milligan, Literature Secretary; Miss Ida B. Little, Young Women's Secretary; Mrs. I. H. Milliken, Junior Secretary; Mrs. J. B. Hill, Secretary of Ministerial Relief; Miss Carrie M. Reed, Editor Junior Magazine; Mrs. R. Maurice Trimble, Railroad Secretary; Mr. A. F. Sawhill, Auditor; and Mr. Wm. A. Wilson, Legal Advisor.

The standing committees appointed were as follows:

EXECUTIVE—Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Yourd, Miss Clark, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Sands, Mrs. Wilson.

FINANCE—Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Campbell, and Mrs. Trimble.

EDITORIAL—Miss Milligan, Miss Reed, Miss Little, Mrs. Morton, and Mrs. Porter.

MISSIONARY APPLICATIONS—Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Yourd, Mrs. Wilson.

PRINTING—Mrs. Milliken, Miss Milligan, Mrs. Cook, Miss Clark.

ADDRESSES—Mrs. Sands, Mrs. Trimble, Mrs. Morton, and Miss Little.

ROOMS—Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Hill, Miss Milligan, Mrs. Porter, and Mrs. Wilson.

JUNIOR—Mrs. Milliken, Miss Little, Miss Reed, and Mrs. Porter.

A gavel, made from a log taken from the first Theological Seminary west of the mountains, was presented by Mrs.

John Calvin Roe, through Mrs. Wm. S. Cook, to be used by the President of the Women's Board, and Mrs. Porter has only missed one opportunity during the entire year to use it, and that was a special meeting. Seven others have the same record. We have one honor member, Mrs. Yourd, has not missed a single meeting, think of it, 156 hours. How many of the members of our missionary societies have hardly time to give one hour a month, twelve hours a year, to the missionary meeting, and how hard it is to get many to attend at all. The problem which confronts us today is, how can we enlist the three out of every four who are not taking any part in the missionary work of the church?

In addition to the twenty-four meetings attended during the year sixty-nine address have been made.

Mrs. Campbell and Miss Milligan were appointed delegates to the New Wilmington Conference. Mrs. Hill and Miss Reed, alternates.

The request of Mrs. George Moore, Women's Magazine Editor, to add the following names: Mrs. E. L. Porter, Rawalpindi, India; Mrs. J. P. White, Albia, Iowa; Miss Minnehaha Finney, Tanta, Egypt; and Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter, Pittsburgh, Pa., as associate editors was granted.

A committee consisting of Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Porter, and Mrs. Hill was appointed to confer with the India Equipment Fund Committee.

Mrs. Campbell, chairman of committee from the Women's Board reported a meeting on October 9th with the committee of the \$100,000 India Fund. The chairman asked Mrs. Campbell to state the action of the Women's Board in regard to this fund. Mrs. Campbell stated that the Women's Board will support and actively help in raising this

fund; that they will equip and operate that part of the work which will come under their charge, and will permit their missionaries to solicit subscriptions to it, provided;

1st—That all designated funds be used only for the purpose for which they were given.

2nd—That all undesignated funds be divided between the Foreign Board and the Women's Board in the proportion of two to one respectively, and

3rd—That the title to any property purchased with the funds paid through their treasurer be vested in the W. G. M. S.

Further discussion concerning the interpretation of paragraph two of the plan of organization brought out that it was the sense of the committee that the treasurer of the India Committee should keep the subscription funds deposited at interest, that monthly reports be made to the India Mission and the treasurer of the Women's Board by the chairman of the Equipment Committee. Also that treasurer of the Equipment Committee shall make quarterly remittances to the treasurer of the Women's Board of all funds in his hands to which said Board is entitled. The treasurer of the Women's Board shall keep all such funds deposited at interest. As soon as the Mission in India desires to use any available funds, they be forwarded to them under the direction of the committee through the treasurers of the respective boards in the distribution above provided; *i. e.*, all designated funds to be paid through the Board which will be responsible for the maintenance and operation of that particular plant, and all undesignated funds in the proportion of two for the Foreign Board to one for the Women's Board.

The Women's Congress of Missions will be held in the First Congregational Church of San Francisco, corner of Post and Mason Streets, June 6th to 13th.

The San Francisco Committee have adopted the coronation pin as the emblem of the Congress of Missions.

Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Campbell were appointed to visit the Indian Mission at Tama.

The resignation of Miss Margaret Moorehead from the Editorial Staff of the Women's Magazine was accepted with regret.

The following United Presbyterian women were appointed to serve on the Council of Women for Home Missions during 1915: Mrs. R. W. Kidd, Mrs. C. H. Burns, Mrs. James Parker, Mrs. Henry Bewkes, Mrs. W. M. Nichol, Mrs. Charles Crowe, Mrs. Fred O. Shane, Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson, and Mrs. Wm. S. Cook.

Each constituent board was asked to participate in a fund for the betterment of immigrants detained at Ellis Island. \$1500.00 is the amount needed to pay a worker at ports of entry, and the treasurer was authorized to pay \$100.00 toward this work for this year beginning January 1st, 1915.

A committee consisting of Mrs. Yourd, Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson was appointed to prepare plans for the distribution of the Isaiah 41:6 Fund.

The National Organization of the Y. W. C. A. has erected a building at the Panama-Pacific Exposition for the use of all women who are visiting San Francisco in 1915. They will be glad to list among their speakers any members of our organization especially qualified to speak and place their assembly room at our disposal for councils and meetings. Signed, Miss Julis Tolman Lee, 320 Russ Building, San Francisco.

Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Yourd were appointed to visit Simnasho and Warm Springs Indian Missions on their return from the Convention.

Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Wilson were appointed delegates to the General Assembly. Mrs. Cook and Miss Clark, alternates.

Mrs. Cook was appointed to represent the Board at the Conference of the Council of Women for Home Missions in San Francisco. Miss Margaret Bell, Miss Emma Dean Anderson and Miss Jane Martin have been appointed to represent the Foreign Work. Mrs. Kuckup, President of the Warm Springs Missionary Society will represent the Indian Work. Miss Irma G. Allen, Culver City, Cal., was appointed delegate from our Home Mission Department to attend the Annual Convention. Mrs. Crooks will attend the Spokane Convention as a representative of the Mountaineer Work. Mrs. Tillie Johnson, Miller's Ferry, was appointed delegate from the Freedmen's Field. Mrs. H. C. Campbell was appointed Testamentary Secretary of the Board.

Mrs. Gordon's request for the appointment of Mrs. Carlson as member of the committee for the Colorado School of Missions at Boulder, Colo., was granted.

Mrs. Peabody asks the Board to co-operate with the committee on the United Study of Missions in Prayer for Peace.

Miss Ida B. Little and Miss Carrie Reed were appointed to attend the Commencement Exercises at Frenchburg, May 18th.

At the request of Mrs. W. F. Wilcox, Secretary of the Council of Women for Home Missions, the Literature Secretary was authorized to prepare a chart of our work for exhibition at the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

The term of office of Mrs. Wm. S. Cook, Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter, Miss Jennie Clark and Miss Ida B. Little expires with this meeting.

In reply to the letter sent from the Board to Governor Brumbaugh of Pennsylvania commending him for the stand he has taken on the local option question, the following letter was received:

"The Governor has asked me to respond to your kind communication of recent date, and to say that he deeply appreciates your cooperation in his efforts to carry out the pledges made to the people of this Commonwealth.

"He sincerely trusts that he may have your continued interest and support, and

that definite progress may be made in the most vital problems confronting the Legislature today.

"With best wishes, I beg to remain,
Very truly yours,

J. H. HIATT,
Private Secretary."

Year after year we seek to record the work done, it is natural that a vision of the work undone should arise before us by very contrast, and how this latter seems to overwhelm the other, so let us all resolve to do more than ever.

"Till the sunrise broad of the day of God
Shall shine on the victor's glory,
And earth at rest in her Lord confessed
Shall rejoice in the finished story."

MRS. JOHN S. CRAWFORD,
Recording Secretary.

REPORT OF

STATISTICAL SECRETARY.

THE HISTORY of another year has been written and we will now present the results to you—so far as figures can tell—so that you may know what the women of our denomination have been doing. "Annual Reports" sound uninteresting to some, but even statistics may become fascinating to those who trace progress of such an organization as ours in this way from year to year.

We are glad to report advancement in almost every phase of our work, and hope that this may give us courage to strive for greater things in the year upon which we are just entering.

The greater portion of the blanks reached us on time this year, and we were much pleased to find so many of them compiled in such a satisfactory manner. The fact that the blanks were so much improved this year is due, we believe, to the publishing of a sample of

a correctly filled blank in the January number of the Women's Missionary Magazine. We would urge each Presbyterian to keep a copy of this Magazine on file for the use of those who are obliged to compile the blanks in the future.

We hope to have more of the Societies report their Standard of Efficiency next year. We feel that our aim in this new undertaking will be more completely understood in the future, but are glad to report societies who ranked their Standard above 90 per cent. for the past year:

Caledonia Presbytery, Franklinville Society, 100 per cent.

Lake Presbytery, Hookstown Society, 100 per cent.

Los Angeles Presbytery, Santa Anna Society, 100 per cent.

Muskingum Presbytery, Second Cambridge Society, 100 per cent.

Sidney Presbytery, Fifth Church Society, 95 per cent.

Mercer Presbytery, West Middlesex Society, 95 per cent.

Arkansas Presbytery, Hutchinson Society, 95 per cent.

Arkansas Presbytery, Walton Society, 90 per cent.

Brookville Presbytery, Plum Creek Society, 95 per cent.

Brookville Presbytery, Jefferson Society, 90 per cent.

Monmouth Presbytery, Alexis Society, 90 per cent.

Muskingum Presbytery, Second New Concord Society, 90 per cent.

Monongahela Presbytery, Herron Hill Society, 90 per cent.

Puget Sound Presbytery, 3rd Church Society, 90 per cent.

Xenia Presbytery, Cedarville Society, 90 per cent.

We also hope that all will contribute to the Isaiah 41:6 Fund during the coming year. Only 26 of our Presbyteries contributed to this Fund during the past year.

Before submitting the following brief summary, we would like to say that the blanks from India did not reach us, and we were therefore unable to include the Indian Societies in our report.

SUMMARY.

The total number of Presbyterials is 73, of which 64 are in our own country,

5 in India and 4 in Egypt. We are sorry to add that New York did not report this year. The number of Women's Societies is 828; Young Women's, 304; Juniors, 420; Little Light Bearers', 64; making a total of 1616. A total membership of 45,652 was reported: Women's, 23,375; Young Women's, 7,253; Junior's, 13,847; and Little Light Bearers', 1177.

The number of boxes and barrels sent was 1,109, with an estimated value of \$13,848. 7460 subscriptions to the Women's Missionary Magazine and 5,462 to the Junior Magazine were reported.

The contributions were:

Foreign Missions	\$11,835
Foreign Salaries	27,067
Home Missions	11,276
Indian Work	2,379
Freedmen's Missions	5,575
Church Extension and Parsonage	2,530
Ministerial Relief	1,232
Young Women's Special Work	2,961
Junior Special Work	3,002
Presbyterial Expense Fund	2,759
Temperance	801
Senior Thank-Offering	56,472
Young Women's Thank-Offering	11,508
Junior Thank-Offering	5,592

We submit the report for the year with great thankfulness for the work that we have been able to do during the past year, and pray for the continued zeal of the women of our church in this great work.

Respectfully submitted,

JENNIE H. CLARK,

Statistical Secretary.

REPORT OF THE ISAIAH 41:6 FUND.

FOR SOMETIME the generous-hearted women of our denomination had a desire that all our Presbyterials should be represented at our Conventions, feeling that whatever of inspiration or benefit thus received should be shared by all. As a result of this desire, the following recommendation was formulated and presented to the Philadelphia Convention last year:

"We recommend that some plan be adopted for defraying expenses of delegates coming from all Presbyterials to our General Convention." This recommendation was adopted and Mrs. Alter made chairman of a committee to devise a plan, by which it could be carried out.

At the Corporation meeting, held May 29, 1914, the chairman reported as follows:

That each Presbyterial be asked to contribute, as a voluntary gift, over and above all other contributions, to a delegate fund, to be known as the Isaiah 41:6 Fund; intended to assist weak Presbyterials in securing representation at the Annual Convention, this fund to be paid through Presbyterial Treasurers to the General Treasurer not later than January first; this fund then to be given over to the Secretary of Finance of the Women's Board and be distributed according to needs, under the direction of the Board.

Presbyterial Treasurers, please take note, this money is to be in the General Treasurer's hands not later than January first. This is absolutely necessary, if all the funds are to be properly distributed. Only \$195.00 was in the Treasury by February 1st this year and

the balance was not received until almost time for the books to be closed. When you consider the correspondence necessary to distribute this fund, together with the time it takes to send and receive letters from one coast to another, you will see the absolute need of compliance with this request.

In February the Board appointed Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Yourd and the Secretary of Finance, a committee to devise a plan for distribution. After several conferences the committee recommended to the Board that in view of the smallness of the fund and the desire that the greatest number of our smaller societies would be helped, that only Presbyterials west of the Mississippi and those which had not recently been represented, be helped this year. Correspondence was commenced with four Western and Southern Presbyterials at this time and when the final returns came in April, two others were added to the list. One of these replied that even with the help offered—that of entire railroad fare—not including sleeping car accommodations, it would be unable to send a delegate, leaving five Presbyterials that were benefitted. From one of the societies we received no answer.

The following report of twenty-two Presbyterials, with amounts contributed and disbursed, gives an exact statement of the Isaiah 41:6 Fund to date:

RECEIPTS.

Allegheny	\$ 77.20
Beaver Valley	35.00
Butler	1.00
Caledonia	1.00
Chartiers	1.00
Cleveland	15.75

Chicago	3.00
College Springs	9.00
Colorado	3.00
Kansas City	1.10
Lake	7.00
Mercer	7.00
Mansfield	2.00
Monongahela	110.00
Muskingum	2.00
Philadelphia	20.00
Los Angeles	6.00
Puget Sound	13.00
San Francisco	10.00
Rock Island	1.00
Texas	3.00
Xenia	5.00

TOTAL\$333.05

DISBURSED.

Texas	\$ 65.00
Uncompaghe	38.00

N. W. Iowa	60.00
Idaho	25.00
LeClaire	60.00
Puget Sound	25.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS\$273.00

SUMMARY.

Total	\$333.05
Disbursements	273.00

Balance\$ 60.05

Refund—LeClaire\$ 25.00

Net Balance\$ 85.05

This balance because it was too late to take the matter up with another society, when one decided not to be represented.

Respectfully submitted,

ADA K. WILSON.

REPORT OF**FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1915.

AS WE look back over the year and review the work under the care of the Finance Committee, noting that all obligations are met and a snug balance to our credit, our hearts are filled with gratitude.

The Loans and Investment Department was created in order that needy missionary congregations might be helped to secure better church homes. This money is loaned at a 4½ per cent. rate the first year and a 5 per cent. rate, together with some payment on the principal at each interest bearing period thereafter. We had one application for a loan this year, but did not, in the present financial conditions, see our way clear to grant it. Fifteen congregations are now on our books.

From the interest on these loans, together with interest on bank balances,

surplus funds, contributions of friends and Presbyterials, the Contingent Fund is constituted.

From this fund all the Administration expenses, such as rent of offices, phone, clerk hire, printing of literature for free distribution, stationery, traveling expenses of members of Board and officers of Conventions to the Convention are paid. No money contributed for missionary purposes is diverted from its intended channel; and we occupy the unique position among Mission Boards, of making no inroads on missionary offerings for running expenses.

One generous friend, as is her custom, sent a check for five hundred dollars (\$500.00), and this helps pay the salaries of our girls in the office.

The congregations have fallen a little short in making repayments on their

loans, but on investigation we find the churches have not escaped the general financial depression and we have been lenient. However, we hope for better returns when the times brighten. Four congregations have made no payments either on loans or interest. Five have met all obligations. One account is closed. Six have paid their interest, but nothing on loans.

Four more Presbyterials contributed to the Contingent Fund this year than last. In a few years' time we hope to

have a contribution—no matter how small—from each of our societies. When one is a partner in a business she is interested and we want every Presbyterial to be intensely interested, not only in the offerings for mission purposes, but also in those contributions used for carrying on the work.

The following statement gives a complete survey of our Loans and Investment account, together with that of the Contingent Fund:

LOANS AND INVESTMENTS ACCOUNT.

CONGREGATIONS	Balance April 15, 1914	Receipts Principal	Interest	Balance April 15, 1915
Benha Girls' School, Egypt	\$ 100.00			\$ 100.00
Brockton, Mass.	1425.00		144.65	1425.00
Chartiers	2393.38	131.33	118.67	2262.05
Chicago, Third	1800.00			1800.00
Chicago, Fifth	1579.69	25.00	150.00	1554.69
Chicago, Sixth	600.00		36.00	600.00
Chicago, Eighth	1696.11	200.00	86.05	1496.11
Gary, Indiana	3000.00			3000.00
Grinnell, Iowa	1690.00		100.00	1690.00
Indiana Harbor	3500.00		175.00	3500.00
Palisade Ave., N. J.	1400.00	325.00	57.50	1075.00
Rev. T. L. Scott	112.35	112.35	2.90	
Salineville, Ohio	1050.00		26.25	1050.00
Twelfth, Allegheny	2542.52		190.68	2542.52
Washtucna, Wash.	400.00			400.00
	<u>\$23289.05</u>	<u>\$793.68</u>	<u>\$1087.70</u>	<u>\$22495.37</u>

CONTINGENT FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on Hand, April 15, 1914	\$ 941.68
On Account of Loans	793.68
Interest on Loans	1087.70
Gift from Friend	500.00
Interest on Bank Balances, Investments and Surplus Funds	2745.67
Presbyterials	213.00
Sale of T. O. Supplies	151.19
Philadelphia Convention Offering— May, 1914	47.71
Refunds	29.90
Contribution from Friend for Flowers	1.00
Interest on Contingent Fund Balances	9.22
Items of Cents	4.12
	<u>\$6524.87</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Gen. Treas. on Account of Loans ..	\$ 793.68
Printing Statistics and Statistical Blanks	413.20
Adding Machine	220.50
Stationery	237.30
Rent	858.00
Telephone	87.22
Clerk Hire and Office Expenses	1276.45
Philadelphia Convention Expenses	433.90
Traveling Expenses to Missionary Conferences	118.26
Printing, Postage and T. O. Expense ..	870.30
Junior Magazine	275.00
Treasurer's Bond	50.00
Rent of Safe Deposit Boxes	22.00
Auditor	100.00
Attorney	60.00

Linoleum	25.97	Keokuk	5.00
Flowers	10.00	Philadelphia	5.00
Ice	12.90	The Hudson	5.00
Taxes	10.11	Allegheny	10.00
		Kansas City	5.00
	\$5874.79	Spokane	1.00
		College Springs	5.00
Balance April 15, 1915	\$ 650.08	Conemaugh	5.00
The following Presbyterials contributed to the Contingent Fund:		Los Angeles	10.00
Chicago	\$ 5.00	Kiskiminetas	5.00
Hudson	5.00	First Ohio	5.00
Texas	3.00	Wheeling	5.00
Westmoreland	5.00	Des Moines	5.00
Chartiers	10.00	Lake	5.00
Monongahela	15.00	Boston	5.00
Beaver Valley	5.00	Arkansas Valley	5.00
Cedar Rapids	5.00		
Detroit	5.00		\$213.00
Cleveland	5.00	Respectfully submitted,	
Sidney	1.00	MRS. ADA KERR WILSON,	
Idaho	1.00	Secretary of Finance.	
Colorado	8.00	MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL.	
Delaware	5.00	MRS. J. B. HILL.	
Central Illinois	11.00	MRS. MAURICE TRIMBLE.	
Argyle	5.00	I hereby certify the foregoing cash	
Mercer	5.00	records correct for the fiscal year end-	
Vermont	3.00	ing April 15, 1915.	
Muskingum	5.00	A. F. SAWHILL,	
Puget Sound	5.00	Auditor.	
Steubenville	10.00		
Caledonia	5.00		

REPORT OF

LITERATURE SECRETARY.

THIS HAS been a year of beginnings and experimentings by your Literature Secretary. She has been learning not only the routine duties connected with the office, but also something of the importance of the work, the vast possibilities for good in this department, and the place literature has in the working out of the cause for which we stand. Our work is not a mere skirmish on the firing line—it is a long sustained conflict for which we must prepare, and “Any great crusade of action must be

preceded by a crusade of agitation and education.”

If our Women's General Missionary Society is to carry on a long-sustained siege against the enemies of Christ's Kingdom then it is imperatively necessary that we be educated on the subjects of world interest. It is the aim of the Literature Department to assist the women of the church to know of the conditions and needs and to help them to equip themselves for this crusade in all the world, by furnishing them leaf-

lets and other helps on the Mission Study Books, and on the work of the Women's General Missionary Society in all its departments.

The mission study text-books for the year were: "The Child in the Midst," and "In Red Man's Land" for senior societies. The junior societies studied "Our World Family" and "Good-Bird, the Indian." While the amount of the sales for these books was not quite so large as last year's sales, yet on the whole the demand for study books has been quite gratifying.

The new senior foreign study book is "The King's Highway," by Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery. It is an account of her recent journey through the missionary centers of the Far East. It should appeal most strongly to the women of the United Presbyterian Church, as one chapter is devoted almost entirely to our own missions in Egypt. The junior foreign study book is "Around the World With Jack and Janet," and follows the same line as the senior book, being written by Miss Norma Waterbury, the daughter of Mrs. Peabody, and a traveling companion of Mrs. Montgomery.

The home mission study books are: "Home Missions in Action," for Senior societies, and "All Along the Trail," for Junior societies.

Dr. G. Campbell Morgan has said of intercessory missionaries, "These are the laborers of force in the fields of God, and by their prayers in the secret and hidden places they make it possible for those who are in the open to fight and win."

To assist the members of our church to pray intelligently and definitely for those "in the open" who are our representatives in the fields, this department has published a Prayer Cycle which

gives the name and field of labor of every missionary supported by our denomination. This includes our three foreign fields—Egypt, India, and the Sudan—all the home fields and workers—Freedmen, Mountaineer, Alien, and Indian—and in general the whole cause of Christ in the world. We have the promise, "That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of My Father which is in heaven." Shall we not claim this promise and avail ourselves of the privilege of uniting together in definite prayer for God's blessing on our workers, and for the success of the work at home and in the regions beyond?

Many of the leaflets have been revised and reprinted, and several new leaflets have been issued by the department during the year. These have been noted from time to time in the literature page of "The Women's Missionary Magazine," are listed in the new catalogue and may be seen at the literature table.

We would again call attention to the fact that the literature department does not publish nor keep for sale the yearly programs. These are published by the Magazine Committee, Xenia, Ohio. Orders for these programs sent to the literature department cause unnecessary delay and correspondence, as well as extra postal expense.

The duties of Presbyterian literature secretaries seem to be not quite clearly understood.

Immediately on her appointment she should thoughtfully and carefully formulate her plans. Her first duty is to inform *herself*, if she is to interest others. She should study carefully the catalogue of publications, which can be obtained from literature headquarters, and keep it on file. She should become so familiar with these publications that

she can have suggestions ready when they are needed. She should go to the Executive Committee meeting of the Presbyterial with a carefully prepared list of the leaflets and helps which she thinks are most important for the women of the auxiliaries, get permission to order these, and *insist on an appropriation from the Presbyterial contingent fund to pay for them.*

She should make an attractive exhibit of this material at the Presbyterial; take orders for study books, literature, and other supplies, and send her orders and the money to pay for them to department headquarters, with names and addresses. These orders will be filled from our office, 904 Publication Building, Pittsburgh, Pa.

May God open our eyes to the possibilities before us and help us to equip ourselves thoroughly for doing our share in the crusade of agitation and education necessary to bring about the evangelization of the world.

The following are the statistical and financial statements of this department for the year ending April 15, 1915:

STATISTICAL STATEMENT.

LITERATURE REPRINTED.

	Copies
Charters of the Women's General Missionary Society	1000
Value of Reports	1000
Freedmen—Questions and Answers	2000
Sixteen Missionary Programs	1000
Pointed Arrows	1000
Constitutions for Women's Presbyterial Missionary Societies	1000
Little Girl Life in India	1000
Little Girl Life in Egypt	1000
Bible Words on Prayer	1000
The Native People—Questions and Answers	1000
Contribution Envelopes	4000
Early Preparation of Children for Missionary Service	3000
What to do With That Mischievous Boy	3000

A Clean Tongue	3000
The Mother and the Junior Society	3000
Little Light Bearer Certificates	1000
Junior Life Member Certificates	200
Mrs. Brownlee Joins the Missionary Society	1000

NEW LEAFLETS PRINTED.

	Copies
Child Life in India	2000
Thoughts and Steps	500
In and Around Cairo With the Bible Woman	1000
The Sorrow of Egypt	2000
Native Americans	2000
Countless Egyptian Villages	2000
Voices of the Children	1000
Constitution and By-Laws of the Junior Society	1000

LITERATURE SOLD.

WOMEN'S AND YOUNG WOMEN'S.

	Copies
King's Business	114
The Child in the Midst	799
New America	40
Text Book Supplements	26
Women's Envelopes—Monthly Offering	7521
Y. W. Envelopes—Monthly Offering	835
Pictures	333
Maps	19
Pins	30
Costumes	18
Missionary Magazines	33
Statistical Reports	90
Missionary Women and the Social Question	11
Foreign Reports	83
In Red Man's Land	498
King's Highway	3
How to Use	145
China's New Day	3
Leaflets—Junior and Senior	7994

JUNIOR.

Young China Hunters	23
Our World Family	129
Comrades from Other Lands	16
Missionary Lessons for Youngest Juniors	33
Little Brothers of Mine	20
Circles of Light	13
Object Lessons	7
Envelopes	36
Voices of the Children	204
Pins	303

Mission Studies	86	Blessed Be Egypt	51
Missionary Games	15	Junior Object Lessons	10.59
Diplomas	131	Postage	93.66
Graduating Exercises	2	Expressage	48.95
Recitation Books for Juniors	41	Refunds	6.60
Manuals	82	Trunk	3.00
Membership and Enrollment Cards	582	Corrections	2.97
Record Books	18	Engraving	2.75
L. L. B. Mite Boxes	549	Missionary Programs	2.90
Wall Charts	52		
Children of the Kingdom	49	TOTAL	\$ 847.36
Missionary Mother Goose Rhymes	68		
Everyland	8	Balance on Hand, April 15th, 1915	\$ 259.68
Good Bird, The Indian	128	Stamps on Hand	\$4.13
		Cash on Hand	1.05 5.18
FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR			
ENDING APRIL 15th, 1915.			
Cash in Bank, May 1st, 1914	\$ 77.48	Bank Balance	\$ 254.50
Stamps on Hand	.13	Respectfully submitted,	
Receipts from Sales During Year	1019.02	R. ELIZABETH MILLIGAN,	
Interest	1.41	Literature Secretary.	
Refunded	9.00		
		"I have audited the foregoing account	
TOTAL	\$1107.04	for the year ending April 15, 1915, and	
DISBURSEMENTS.			
Mission Study Books	\$ 374.22	find everything correct."	
Printing	282.47	A. F. SAWHILL,	
Leaflets	18.74	Auditor.	

REPORT OF YOUNG WOMEN'S WORK.

"Life," said James Russell Lowell, "is a sheet of paper white, Whereon each one of us may write His word or two and then comes night. Though thou have time But for a line be that sublime; Not failure, but low aim is crime."

THIS PAST year we have each been writing her "word or two." The results have varied with the aims for service. The individual aim colors the aim of the local society and the society the presbyterial. It is possible to trace success to its source; likewise failure. We ascend or descend by units; it is word by word; step by step; act plus act and we have the result. Apparent lack of success may not indiscriminately

be charged to low aim of individual or society. Many times it may be true, however. The only aim worth while for an individual or group of individuals is ever forward and upward, accepting life's work as a serious though joyful heritage to be opened up and developed.

That there have been failures is evident when you know that for one reason or other about forty societies sent no reports; fourteen Presbyterials are thus involved; that three Presbyterials will be blank so far as reports from the Young Women are concerned; two reports came too late to be included in the totals. These were Wheeling and Sidney. Delinquent societies retarded

the work of both Secretaries. The other Presbyterian, Oregon, sent no report. Two Presbyterials have fallen by the way in Young Women's Work, Oklahoma and Wisconsin. Seven or eight other Presbyterials report one or more societies disorganized.

The very fact that a shadow of some size has been cast by failures assures us that there is a bright side somewhere, for without light there would be not shadow, but darkness.

Fourteen Presbyterials report new organizations; thirty in all. Two societies have been reorganized. Four Presbyterials have just launched Young Women's Work, Brookville, Mansfield, Puget Sound and Spokane. After adjustments have been made, a net gain of eleven societies is to be reported, a total of three hundred and four societies.

In order that a fair idea of the number of members might be ascertained, where membership was omitted or reports not received, the numbers of the previous year, where available, were used. It is a pleasure to report seven thousand, two hundred and fifty-three members, thirteen hundred and forty-two being new.

To the credit of Presbyterian Secretaries, the most of the blanks came in in good order, little unnecessary writing being inserted. In many cases, dollar marks, odd cents except in the Thank-Offering and ciphers for cents place were rightly omitted. Forty Presbyterials were on time—on or before April 15. Eleven were a little late and as mentioned before two were too late to be included in the totals, coming April 29 and May 3 respectively.

Nine Presbyterials report no Young Women's Secretary. If Thank-Offering, Junior, and Temperance Secretaries are necessary, surely the best interest of the

Young Women will be secured only by a live Presbyterian head.

The Standard of Efficiency being an innovation and not fully understood as to method of credits, not many societies adopted it, only thirty-one in fourteen Presbyterials reporting. The total credits were two thousand, three hundred and eighty, or an average of about seventy-seven per cent. for each society concerned.

Many societies still seem to feel no obligation resting on them to support the Young Women's Special Work Fund, or the support of our five workers. The rate asked is \$1.00 per member on the average from each society. This special is *regular work* for the Young Women. First, support the regular work of the Women's General Missionary Society. Electives should be a secondary consideration. One hundred and fifty-one societies were reported as contributors to the special fund; two hundred and thirteen remembered the Thank-Offering.

In spite of the fact that all societies did not report, there has been a general increase financially. A comparison with the figures in the report of the Young Women's Department in the July, 1914, Magazine will be helpful. The blanks show a grand total of \$29,165.17. \$17,392 were regular funds. The Young Women's Special Fund as shown by the blanks is \$175 short the actual amount in the hands of the General Treasurer. Fifty-five per cent. of the societies or a little more gave \$3,067 to meet the \$2,720 pledge. If this coming year, each of the three hundred and four societies gives the average asked, five new workers can be added to our list. Will you do it?

\$14,500 went to other regular work. The Thank-Offering coffers were helped

to the running over point by a gift of \$11,243.77. In one Presbyterial, Beaver Valley, the Life Membership money, \$275, was reported as separate from the regular Thank-Offering. \$117.40 Jubilee offering was reported; also, \$25 to other purposes. Three Presbyterials, Lake, Muskingum, and Steubenville gave \$5 each to the W. G. M. S. Expense Fund. The Isaiah Fund profited by the sum of \$97 at the hands of the Young Women. Two hundred and seventy-nine boxes or barrels were sent to needy places. Several did not estimate value, but \$2,428 were reported.

Note:—For a further detailed report of figures, purchase a Statistical Report from the Literature Department, 904 Publication Building, 209 Anderson St., Pittsburgh, Pa. Price, 10 cents. Every society should have one.

Although the Magazine increased its price the past year, five hundred and fifty four still take this publication. "Some," different secretaries write, "use their mothers' Magazines." One society reports, "Every member a reader of the Magazine."

Several young women have contributed to the pages, assigned to the Young Women's Department, the past year. Forty-seven have been offered this opportunity in thirty-eight Presbyterials. Twenty-six sent articles. It is to be hoped that none who are requested to help in this work will refuse to make the effort except for a good reason. In case of inability, secure a substitute.

The report on Mission Study is as follows: Nine Presbyterials report classes, viz., Albany, Allegheny, Butler, Chartiers, Conemaugh, Cleveland, Detroit, Monongahela, and Philadelphia. Thirty-nine congregations have the credit of the forty-three classes reported. Four classes studied two books each. Eleven

classes met weekly; fifteen monthly—regular missionary meeting. One semi-yearly. The others did not state the frequency of meetings. Nearly four hundred members were reported in twenty-three classes. The others did not give figures.

Of the text-book used, *The Child in the Midst* was the most popular. Other books studied were: *In Red Man's Land*, *Mexico of Today*, *Far North in India*, *Immigration Forces*, *The Immigration Problem*, *The King's Business*, *New America*, *Egypt and the Christian Crusade*, *China's New Day*, *The Why and How of Foreign Missions*, *South America and Its Problems*, *Mormonism*, *The Moslem World*, and *Southern Mountaineers*. One society made a study of our special workers; another, of the articles found on the pages of the Magazine allotted to the Young Women.

All the societies were supposed to receive by way of Presbyterial secretaries a suggestion to read mission books and leaflets and to report the result in April. Nine societies in four Presbyterials reported fifty-two mission books, exclusive of study books, read. Some of these were *Immigration*, *The Promised Land*, *On the Trail of the Immigrant*, *Our Slavic Fellow Citizens*, *The New Immigration*, *Anne of Ava*, *Livingstone the Pathfinder*, and *The Heart of China*. Thirty-six leaflets were reported read by four societies in three Presbyterials. Three leaflets named were: *The Israel of the Alps*, *The Italians in America*, and *The Orientals in America*.

There is great reason for encouragement in this particular line, mission study, the report submitted this year being twice as good in most respects as last year. Here are two suggestions for societies: that you endeavor to use the

NEW study books, so that next year, instead of *seventeen topics being used as reported this year*, but two will be necessary to report; also, that you plan to have a study class of a few weeks' session a short time before you make up your next programs in order that you may not be "blind leaders of the blind." If you are not acquainted with the contents of the text-book, you can scarcely expect to be able to assign parts wisely. The program, the informing agency of the society, suffers defeat; at least, loses much in efficiency. The experiences of another year have afforded all increased opportunity which means increased responsibility and should insure increased efficiency.

As young women of high aim and scorning ignominious defeat because honest effort is being expended, nothing but success is to be expected.

Jean Ingelow has penned a few lines under the title, "My Task," which should be an inspiration to every young woman: "I am glad to think, I am not bound to make the world go right; but only to discover and to do, with cheerful heart the work that God appoints; I will trust in Him, that He can hold His own; and I will take His will, above the work He sendeth me, to be my chiefest good."

Respectfully submitted,

IDA B. LITTLE,

Secretary of Young Women's Work.

REPORT OF

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY MAGAZINE COMMITTEE.

R EPORTS ARE ancient and of great importance; their influence and effects are far-reaching and immeasurable. Since the days the spies gave their reports, if the reports are discouraging, the people fail to go up and possess the land promised by Jehovah. Hence we are glad your Magazine Committee Report has the triumphant ring.

Many of our good women everywhere are awakening to the fact that to their faith they must add knowledge.

One year ago the women of the church, in convention assembled, ratified the recommendation of the Women's Board, "that the Magazine Committee enlarge the Magazine from forty-four to sixty-eight pages and charge one dollar for one year's subscription." August 1st, 1914, your committee obeyed this request, and are pleased to report that they know there was no mistake made.

Secretaries of the different departments are delighted with the amount of space at their disposal. The mission study lessons are not limited as they were in the past. We have room for acquainting our readers with the work done by other denominations.

The question of missions is a world question. To study missions is to get a world vision. So it is necessary to know what our neighbors are doing in mission work. It was difficult in the past to save space for the Foreign Correspondence, now they have a certain number of pages at their command. Mrs. Alter, our Field Secretary, for the first time, has a page allotted to her work. It is astonishing what she has accomplished with this limited space.

Many commendations and congratulations have come to your committee on the appearance and worth of the en-

larged Magazine; also, some complaints. One woman suggested, "We use poorer paper and fewer pages and the old price be resumed." I do not think many here would be willing to second the motion.

We received one letter from an agent saying, "I have secured the Magazine subscriptions in our congregation for twenty years; it has been just as easy to secure \$1.00 as it was to secure the sixty cents." If all our agents could make a report like this one: "Not a single woman omitted from my list," your committee could give their entire time to the betterment of the Magazine, not to devising ways and means for securing new subscriptions.

Every one knows that we cannot be interested in missionary undertakings or secure money for carrying on the work without an intelligent knowledge of the various enterprises that have been carried on or are contemplated by our Women's Board. How can we secure this knowledge without being regular readers of the Magazine, as this is the only source from which we glean missionary intelligence. The life and growth of the church depends on missionary activity.

Fourteen thousand programs were mailed for use in missionary societies. We think these programs have acted as a stimulus for all the societies to use the United Mission Studies.

The women of the church owe a debt of gratitude to Mesdames White and Wilson for their most excellent and comprehensive papers on these studies. These articles alone are worth the price of the Magazine.

The Women's Missionary Magazine is rich in its friends. The agents in each congregation are a devoted and loyal band, giving of their time and labor without remuneration. Most of these

friends we do not know personally, but count them friends indeed. Wish we could take them all by the hand, look them in the face, and tell them how much we appreciate their efforts.

No doubt the Magazine brought a surprise to our readers when they noticed the fact that the Magazine Committee has been increased so as to include four new names on the Editorial Staff. Your Magazine Committee welcomes most heartily these new members and realize that their influence for the uplift of the Magazine will be far-reaching. Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter needs no introduction to a United Presbyterian audience. As President of the Women's Board and Thank-Offering Secretary, she is known and beloved by every woman and young woman of the church for her untiring zeal in forwarding Christ's kingdom.

Mrs. John P. White has endeared herself to our entire constituency by her able and exhaustive papers on the Mission Study Lessons.

Mrs. E. L. Porter of India, and Miss Minnehaha Finney of Egypt, by giving their lives in consecrated service to the mission work of the church, have won our love and our loyal support to the different fields they so untiringly labor for.

The Committee regret exceedingly that Miss Margaret Moorehead was unable to take up the duties assigned her on the Magazine Committee. If health had permitted we know she would have been a loyal, consecrated worker.

Let love, loyalty and victory be our watchwords; Thy Kingdom come, our prayer; the Cross of Christ our standard.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. S. M. KELSO, Secy.

FINANCIAL REPORT. WOMEN'S MISSIONARY MAGAZINE.

1914-1915.

RECEIPTS:

On Hand March 31st, 1914	\$ 356.66
Magazine Subscriptions	7210.38
Miscellaneous Receipts	87.54
Interest on Bonds, Mrs. J. B. Hill Tr.	240.00
Interest on Hutchison & Gibney Note	8.00
Hutchison & Gibney Note in Full	200.00
	\$8102.58

DISBURSEMENTS—1914.

Printing and Mailing Magazine	\$5606.47
Auditing Books	5.50
Current Expenses	170.00
Literature	14.85
Delegate Fund	155.20
Cuts and Engravings	309.42
Missionary Studies	169.80
Balance in Bank	1671.34
	\$8102.58

STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES. WOMEN'S MISSIONARY MAGAZINE.

RESOURCES—March 31st, 1914.

Balance on Hand Subject to Check	\$1671.34
Accumulated Funds in the Hands of Finance Committee W. G. M. S. at 6 per cent.	4000.00
	\$5671.34

LIABILITIES.

No indebtedness whatever outstanding or unpaid.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. S. M. KELSO,
Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I have carefully examined the books and vouchers appertaining to the management of the Women's Missionary Magazine Committee for the year ending March 31st, 1915, and find books neatly kept, and correct in every particular.

Attested,

JOHN H. McVAY,
Accountant.

Xenia, Ohio, April 19th, 1915.

REPORT OF

JUNIOR MISSIONARY MAGAZINE.

SOLILOQUY OF THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY MAGAZINE.

MY NAME is really The Junior Missionary Magazine, but my friends very often call me the "Wee Magazine" because that was the name given me by Mrs. Wilson, who for some time cared for my welfare. For more than sixteen years I have gone calling each month in many homes, and always received a warm welcome. I have had many friends during this time who have read my pages with great delight and a large number of these are now Junior leaders or engaged in other Christian work.

work as a direct result of the interest awakened by my monthly visits. Just after the 1914 holidays it was decided that I should have a new spring suit: it was the gift of Miss Fanny H. Williams of Salem, N. Y., and was designed by Miss Judith Bourne of the Madison Hall School, Washington, D. C. I liked it so well, that as soon as it was ready I started out to make calls, and have made between 6300 and 6400 during this month.

I would like to make from 8000 to 10000 calls in May, 1916, so I think I will have to ask the Women's Board to

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provide me an airship to help me get around more rapidly. I know I have been welcome, for if ever I miss anybody, my business manager is sure to get a letter or card expressing disappointment at my non-appearance. She is glad to get these letters, for I never let on to her that I have not been all around. As soon as she finds out I did not go every place I was expected, I am liable to be routed out at any hour of the day or night and started off on a journey to Nebraska or California, possibly to Egypt. I certainly do not gain anything by shirking. At such times, how I do long for the airship! I hope a great many names and addresses will be sent in to my business manager, Miss Carrie M. Reed, 1806 Bedford Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. Of course I want the people to send a quarter along for each single copy, and a dollar for clubs of 10. I am also taking subscriptions for "Everyland" and will give one copy of The Junior Missionary Magazine and one copy of "Everyland" for one year for 65 cents. I also hope that they will not send any more letters or checks to Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson. I will be so glad if the new names come in time to be included in my June itinerary. Every month when I start out, Mrs. Milliken, our General Junior Secretary, gives me a list of Juniors who have become Life Members. The boys and girls always want to know right away if their names are on the list, and occasionally they are disappointed. I am always sorry about this; but, while they have paid their money in to their local societies, sometimes it is not sent in promptly to our treasurer, Mrs. Hill. After it reaches Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Milliken fills out the certificates and mails them to the Life Members; then she sends the names to

be put on my list. The editor has it printed just as it is sent to her.

Then the Juniors always want to know about the money their societies have given; and I tell them to write a card to Miss Reed, who will be glad to acknowledge their gifts. When I make my calls I take with me puzzles for the Juniors to solve; a Mail Box with letters from the Juniors; stories, pictures, poems, and Lesson Notes. So many friends have helped to make my visits interesting, that I really do not see how a Junior Society can afford to do without me. We are all glad that the Juniors and their leaders have done such splendid work for the Junior Special Fund and it may be that Miss E. D. Brown will know and be glad with us over the successful completion of this great work for Christ and our Mountaineer sisters.

Respectfully submitted,

The Junior Missionary Magazine,
Per Carrie M. Reed, Editor and Business Manager.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Carrie M. Reed, Business Manager, in account with The Junior Missionary Magazine.
Dr.

1914	
Apr. 15	
Balance on Hand	\$ 55.64
Total Subscriptions	667.67
Financial Secretary	275.00
Interest	.47
Mrs. J. B. Hill, Treasurer	150.00
Cash	.60
Miss Williams for Cover	
Design	15.00

1915	
Apr. 15 Total Receipts	\$1164.38
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1914	
Apr. 15	
Mr. J. C. Park, Printer	\$ 941.00
Rob't Rawsthorne Eng. Co.	134.29
Postage	8.32
Credit	.75

For Cover Design	5.00
For Folders and Postals and Printing	20.75
1915	
Apr. 15 For Everyland	15.30
Apr. 15 Total Expenditures	\$1125.41
Apr. 15 Balance on Hand	38.97
	\$1164.38

The foregoing account for the year ending April 15, 1915, has been examined carefully and is correct.

A. F. SAWHILL,

Auditor.

April 24, 1915.

REPORT OF

TEMPERANCE SECRETARY.

THE VINDICATOR, an ably edited prohibition paper of Franklin, Pa., estimates from internal reports that the spirits consumed in the United States last year cost the drinkers \$1,011,865,130.00; wine, \$119,726,434.00; beer, \$1,325,978,155.00; making a grand total of \$2,457,569,719.00.

This means about \$25.00 per capita of our entire population and that population includes 45,652 members of our W. G. M. S., 23,375 Women, 7,252 Young Women, and 13,847 Juniors. This Noble Band of Workers is organized for the purpose of spreading the Gospel of our blessed Lord and Saviour and during the past year contributed to that cause about \$4.45 each.

It is conceded by every one of us and our missionaries assure us of the fact that intemperance is a deadly foe to missions—one of Satan's most powerful forces for the hindrance of the Gospel both at home and abroad.

Now what are we doing to stem this tide of destruction—*To obey the commandment, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord; make His paths straight!"* What are we doing towards cleaning up the highways and by-ways that the word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified?

Well, so far as money is concerned, we contributed during this past year about 1½ cents each; the most we have ever reported and yet, we feel that the words of the great, old motto, "Upward and Onward," truly describe the march of our Women's, Young Women's and Junior Societies this year along Temperance lines *for we have advanced.*

We have now 63 Presbyterial Temperance Secretaries and 343 Local Secretaries doing splendid denominational Temperance work.

Our literature is still highly commended bringing forth such comments as "None Better," "Best Ever," "Par Excellence" and the demand is steadily increasing.

Last year we sent out 696 packages, this year 816; last year we published 1000 year books, this year 1500.

Pledge signing is not reported so definitely as heretofore. Many secretaries reporting "nearly all," "a great many," "more than ever," etc., instead of giving figures. The figures given amount to 1117, (presumably for this year). Fifty Presbyterials and Mission Stations report this year as against 44 last year and are as follows:

Albany, Allegheny, Argyle, Beaver Valley, Boston, Brookville, Butler, Cale-

donia, Central Illinois, Cedar Rapids, Chartiers, Chicago, Cleveland, College Springs, Conemaugh, Colorado, Des Moines, Delaware, The Hudson, Idaho, Indiana, Southern Illinois, Iowa Northwest, Kiskiminetas, Lake, Los Angeles, Mansfield, Mercer, Monogahela, Muskingum, New Jersey, First Ohio, Pawnee, Pittsburgh, Tennessee, Texas, Wheeling, Wisconsin, Xenia, Frenchburg, Wilmerding, Croatian, Brushton, Norfolk, Washington, D. C., and Akron.

Our foreign fields are calling loudly for our money and our prayers. Intemperance keeps marching on the heels of the Gospel.

Nearly all reports show a growing interest in the work and attribute that fact to various causes. College Springs and Philadelphia feel that great interest has been created by the Rev. "Billy" Sunday; Lake, "enlightenment through evangelists;" Uncompahgre, by "earnest prayer;" Tennessee, by "people becoming more intelligent regarding the evil." Nearly all give credit to good literature agitation and the activity of the women.

Money reported:

Allegheny	\$ 69.00
Albany	3.00
Argyle	11.00
Brookville	2.00
Boston	1.00
Beaver Valley	28.00
Butler	5.00
Caledonia	2.00
Chicago	18.00
Chartiers	40.00
College Springs	9.00
Cleveland	13.70
Central Illinois	4.00
Indiana	1.00
Iowa Northwestern	7.00
Kiskiminetas	16.00
Lake	5.00
Los Angeles	27.00
Mansfield	1.00
Muskingum	9.00

Mercer	10.00
Monogahela	97.00
Philadelphia	14.00
Southern Illinois	11.85
Tennessee	8.50
Texas	1.00
Wheeling	28.00
Wisconsin	15.00
Xenia	7.00

WHAT IS THE NEED OF THE HOUR?

1st. Our eyes opened to see the "broad way that leads to destruction" literally crowded with men, women, boys and girls, most of them led thither directly or indirectly by the intoxicating cup.

2nd. A greater realization of our responsibility for present conditions. We are all partakers in the evil traffic and we don't seem to lose much sleep over it.

3rd. New "thinking caps" and a little more "grey matter" that we may be able to figure out how each one of us may discharge our obligation as God's children to do our full share financially in building up Christ's cause and kingdom by giving for that purpose \$4.45 a year and in destroying Satan's kingdom, so far as the liquor traffic is concerned by giving 1½ cents per year.

WHAT SHALL BE OUR AIM FOR THE COMING YEAR?

1st. Greater zeal in our own beloved church temperance work, remembering the old proverb, "If every man will sweep before his own door, we will have a clean city." Why should we leave our work to be done by others? A total abstinence society in every home with the mother as president. A total abstinence society in each one of our organizations, Women's, Young Women's and Juniors, in care of a well informed, zealous temperance secretary. Let us take care of our own children, our own societies, our own homes and we shall

then be the better able to help along in the general temperance movement that is sweeping the world.

We do not all work alike but we can all be alike, conscientious and active. "Come, hurry up," said the second hand of a clock to the minute hand, "you'll never get around in time if you don't; see how fast I'm going," continued the fussy little monitor as it fretted round on its pivot. "Come, hurry up," said the minute hand to the hour hand, utterly oblivious of being addressed by the second hand, "if you don't be quick you'll never be in at the stroke of one." "Well, that's just what our young friend there, has been saying to you." At this point the clock pealed forth the hour as the hour hand continued, "You see we're in time—not one of us behind. You take my advice, do your own work in your own way, and leave others alone."

2nd. Double contributions for building purposes: building Christ's kingdom, per member, \$8.90 instead of about \$4.45, and also double for tearing down purposes, destroying of Satan's kingdom or 3 cents per year, per member, instead of 1½ cents.

Let us hope Spokane Convention will make itself famous by taking some decidedly forward step in missionary work, which of course, includes temperance. *Thinking leads to action.* May we prove ourselves worthy of our high calling this year.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Credit Balance, April 15th, 1914	\$528.62
Receipts, April 15th, 1914, to April 15th, 1915	685.10
Disbursements, April 15th, 1914, to April 15th, 1915	657.66
Credit Balance, April 15th, 1915	556.05

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. C. MORTON.

REPORT OF

PARSONAGE SECRETARY.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1915.

IT IS with heartfelt gratitude to God for all His goodness, that we bring to you the report of the work done in this department of missionary service during the past year. Not all of the results can be tabulated for not one can tell of the influences for good that have emanated from these homes which have been made possible, in a measure, by the aid given by this Parsonage Department of the Women's General Missionary Society. Through this means many pastors and their families have been enabled to be in close touch with their congregations and to do more efficient

work in the communities in which they labor.

Many appeals for assistance have come to us during the year. Some of these have been granted, but a number had to be refused for various reasons. Some congregations had not been organized a sufficient length of time to insure a permanent foothold having been made or that the small membership would be able to carry the burden of paying for a parsonage and the other obligations assumed. Other congregations had been organized too long to be eligible for the desired assistance, as the funds of this

department are not intended for congregations in general, but for struggling mission stations. We would be glad indeed to help all needy congregations, but as the fund is limited the aid granted must be limited.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Fifty-sixth General Assembly, "to take under advisement the matter of extending the term of years for which parsonage loans are made," action was taken by your Board of Directors that, "Beginning September 1, 1914, the time of repayment of loans of \$2500 or over shall be twelve years and of loans less than \$2500 shall be ten years."

We deeply regret that on account of the war in Europe and certain conditions in our own country, some congregations were not able to make payments as they became due. However, the congregations in general, made most commendable efforts to meet their obligations and the result is that the repayments of loans amount to \$19080.18, an advance of \$5766.49 over last year.

Societies, too, have increased their contributions over those of the two previous years—having given \$1642. This is encouraging and we hope all societies may be so interested in this important branch of our work that not one will overlook giving some proportion of its contributions to this department. The experience of past years shows clearly the importance of aid in the erection of parsonages. The demand is equal, if not greater, than in former years, and societies are not giving so much now as they did a few years ago. The church looks to the Women's General Missionary Society to supply this demand.

\$2000 received from the Thank-Offering made the receipts for the year \$22,722.18. This with a balance from last year made an available fund of

\$29,280.18, of which \$17,817.94 was disbursed, leaving a balance in the treasurer's hands of \$11,452.59.

Over nine thousand dollars of this amount has been promised and will be called for as soon as the necessary legal steps can be taken.

New loans were made to the congregations of Meridian, Pa.; Creston, Iowa; West Side, Monmouth, Ill.; and Kenton, Portland, Oregon. An additional loan to Gary, Ind. and final payments to Burlington, Washington; Barstow Colony, California; and Assiut College, Egypt.

This double residence for members of the faculty of the college was completed in August and provides most comfortable accommodations for two families and some of the teaching staff. The aid given is much appreciated and gratefully acknowledged by the President of the College.

It is a great pleasure to report that nine loans have been repaid, viz., Ewing, Nebr.; Stafford, Kans.; Evanston, Ill.; Warrington Ave., (13th) Pittsburgh, Pa.; Toronto, Ohio; Commerce, Mich.; Gas City, Kans.; Majors, Nebr.; and Canon City, Colo. The congregation of Evanston, Ill., by special effort, made payment some two years in advance of the time arranged for, when the loan was made. Gas City, Kans., congregation was disorganized some time ago and as there was no prospect of growth in the town and the property was deteriorating it was thought best to sell the property although some loss was entailed.

The records of the Secretary show that of the 157 loans made since the inception of the work, 74 have been repaid and there are now 83 loans outstanding.

Loans Outstanding and Payments Received During the Year are as Follows:**STATEMENT OF PARSONAGE LOANS—YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1915.**

	LOANS.		
	Outstanding April 15, 1914	Amount Paid During Year	Outstanding April 15, 1915
First, Oakland, California	\$ 301.90	\$ 150.00	\$ 151.90
Ewing, Nebraska	40.80	40.88	
Chariton, Iowa	237.30	81.16	156.14
Stafford, Kansas	100.00	100.00	
Fort Morgan, Colorado	380.00	165.00	215.00
Second, Tacoma, Washington	945.39	99.50	845.89
First, Tacoma, Washington	2490.73	225.00	2265.73
Eighth (Boulevard), Chicago	1673.57	131.86	1541.71
Long Beach, California	832.36	208.14	624.22
Boynton, Oklahoma	522.00	42.00	480.00
Hutchinson, Kansas	613.14	188.72	424.42
Evanston, Illinois	708.42	550.00	158.42*
West Allis, Wisconsin	798.55	350.00	448.55
Thirteenth, Warrington Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.	171.82	171.82	
First, Schenectady, N. Y.	1498.42		1498.42
Olathe, Kansas	377.40	188.70	188.70
Saxman, Kans	642.70	367.00	275.70
Chester, West Virginia	1100.60	226.66	873.94
Stuttgart, Arkansas	536.60		536.60
Bellingham, Washington	1702.95		1702.95
North, Allegheny, Pa.	1010.10	310.80	699.30
Everett, Washington	248.00	20.00	228.00
Third, Des Moines, Iowa	411.49	45.00	366.49
Canon City, Colorado	262.75	262.75	
Dubois, Pennsylvania	1168.20	692.40	475.80
Burlington, Iowa	1014.80	110.00	904.80
Elmwood, Des Moines, Iowa	1568.12	300.00	1268.12
Lincoln, Nebraska	1720.36	225.00	1495.36
Woodruff Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.	814.00	178.00	636.00
Winchester, Kansas	444.00	111.00	333.00
Arkansas City, Kansas	582.13	166.68	415.45
Torrington, Wyoming	749.58	41.61	707.97
Third, Spokane, Wash.	1325.30	127.70	1197.60
Rock Island, Illinois	1369.18	302.38	1066.80
Conway, Pa.	1298.50	249.75	1048.75
Central Falls, R. I.	1387.40	208.14	1179.26
Toronto, Ohio	1554.00	1548.40	5.60*
Altus, Oklahoma	1332.00	345.91	986.09
Tulsa, Oklahoma	2585.50	27.50	2558.00
Roosevelt, Oklahoma	333.00	66.60	266.40
Commerce, Michigan	442.53	426.95	15.58*
Waterloo, Iowa	1998.00	333.00	1665.00
Morgan Hill, California	666.00	111.00	555.00
Emporia, Kansas	1456.81	277.51	1179.30
Farrell, Pa.	1770.36	321.92	1448.44
Allison Park, Pa.	1040.55	83.26	957.29
First, Indianapolis, Ind.	624.25	208.15	416.10
Second, Spokane, Washington	2413.59		2413.59
Donora, Pennsylvania	1607.00	50.00	1557.00
Gas City, Kansas	344.50	247.00	97.50*

	Outstanding April 15, 1914	Amount Paid During Year	Outstanding April 15, 1915
Corsicana, Kansas	1084.94	188.72	896.22
Benton Lawn, Kansas City, Kans.	1735.25		1735.25
Harvard Heights, Los Angeles, Cal.	1179.26	277.52	901.74
Montrose Ave., Chicago, Ill.	2682.78	240.00	2442.78
Forest Ave., Bellevue, Pa.	2093.50	333.00	1760.50
Guthrie, Oklahoma	1387.50	222.00	1165.50
Spirit Lake, Idaho	1679.56	224.00	1455.56
East Mansfield, Ohio	788.50	83.50	705.00
Bristol, Colorado	1154.40	133.20	1021.20
Nampa, Idaho	1609.50	166.50	1443.00
Third, Seattle, Washington	2354.12	176.58	2177.54
West Middlesex, Pennsylvania	818.00	296.00	522.00
East Side, Gary, Ind.	{ 1483.99 }	174.80	1531.39
	{ 222.20 }		
Majors, Nebraska	138.67	138.70	
Manhattan, Kansas	1476.24	210.92	1265.32
Whittier, California	291.44	106.00	185.44
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	2465.48	226.98	2238.50
Boise City, Idaho	1744.00		1744.00
Brookings, South Dakota	1290.31	166.52	1123.79
Zenith, Kansas	825.50		825.50
Trenton, Ohio	2081.20	277.52	1803.68
Prosser, Washington	1465.20	88.80	1376.40
Parma, Idaho	1923.04	174.84	1748.20
McClelland Heights, Davenport, Iowa	799.16	99.92	699.24
Omdurman, Sudan	3108.00	388.50	2719.50
Fairhill, Philadelphia, Pa.	3204.25	291.75	2912.50
San Antonio, Texas	2830.02	333.32	2496.70
South Omaha, Nebraska	1942.50	166.50	1776.00
Rochester, Pa.	2874.90	310.80	2564.10
Ewart, Iowa	718.71	77.72	640.99
Third, Portland, Oregon	2489.53	211.88	2277.65
Albia, Iowa	2705.62	277.52	2428.10
Middletown, Ohio	3571.42	297.00	3274.42
Ingleside, San Francisco, Cal.	1461.03	149.88	1311.15
Canton, Ohio	2775.00	208.14	2566.86
Burlington, Washington	1200.00		1200.00
Barstow Colony, Cal.	1000.00		1000.00
Assiut, Egypt	7000.00		7000.00
Luxor, Egypt (Permanent Investment)	8000.00		8000.00

TOTALS	\$128871.37	\$17403.88	\$111467.60
Excess payments added to loans of last year	.11		
	\$128871.48		

*Credits allowed on loans for advance payment, etc.

Evanston, Ill.	\$158.42		
Toronto, Ohio	5.60		
Commerce, Mich.	15.58		
Gas City, Kans., loss in sale	97.50	277.10	277.10
Total loans in force last year	\$128594.38	\$17403.88	\$111190.50

NEW LOANS DURING THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1915.

	Amount Loans and Interest	Amount Repaid	Loans Out- standing. April 15, 1915
Burlington, Wash., 2nd Payment and Int.	687.00	188.72	498.28
Barstow Colony, Cal., 2nd Payment and Int.	665.00		665.00
Assiut, Egypt, 2nd Payment and Int.	9611.15	830.56	8780.59
West Side, Monmouth, Ill.	3330.00	249.75	3080.25
Meridian, Pa.	2442.00	167.10	2274.90
Creston, Iowa	2220.00		2220.00
Kenton, Portland, Oregon	1500.00		1500.00
Gary, Indiana (Additional)	100.00		100.00
Total New Loans	\$ 20555.15	\$1436.13	\$19119.02
Total Loans in Force During the Last Fiscal Year	\$149149.53		
Total Received During the Year on Account of Loans		\$18840.01	
Total Outstanding April 15, 1915			\$130309.52
Amount Outstanding Includes a Permanent Investment in a Missionary Residence Luxor, Egypt			8000.00
Loans Outstanding April 15, 1915			\$122309.52
Received Additional Cash as Follows:			
Rent from Luxor Missionary Residence		180.00	
Int. from Broadway, Bellingham, Wash.		60.17	
Total Cash Received		\$19080.18	

MRS. J. D. SANDS, Parsonage Secretary.

I have examined the accounts of Mrs. J. D. Sands, Parsonage Secretary, for the fiscal year ending April 15, 1915, and find them correct. The foregoing is a correct statement of transactions during the year and of the Parsonage Loans as they stand at the end of the year.

A. F. SAWHILL, Auditor.

REPORT OF

JUNIOR SECRETARY.

IN MAY, 1893, in Omaha, Nebraska, Mrs. Jennie Hastings Gillespie, the first General Secretary of Junior Work read the first yearly report. Years have come and gone, Conventions have been planned and eagerly looked forward to and then became history in the Women's General Missionary Society work, until today we bring to you our twenty-third annual report, the report of a year which in many ways has been the richest in achievement in our existence, for we have the largest membership; we have contributed the largest amount of money to our special work, also to the Thank-Offering and have the largest total contributions in our history. We have not, however, made the progress which we had hoped for in the way of extending our work into every Presbytery or in the matter of increase in the total membership.

At the head of the page devoted to Junior Work in the Women's Missionary for some months past has appeared the following, "Every Presbyterial Reporting, Total Membership 25,000."

This has been and is our "Aim"—a high mark toward which we are striving—to have Junior organizations in every Presbytery; to have reports from all such organizations, and to have a total membership of 25,000. Some one has said, "Not failure, but low aim is crime," so while the Juniors have not yet reached the high mark set for them, they have done splendid work in this direction and we feel encouraged to put forth greater effort and prove that we are earnestly striving to accomplish our aim. Our hope and faith are high that

next year we may be able to report the full accomplishment of our aim.

We miss the reports of five Presbyteries where we know there are good Junior societies, namely, Frankfort, Keokuk, New York, Uncompahgre, and Vermont. As yet Detroit and Spokane have no Junior societies but the workers are becoming interested and we are quite sure that before long they will both have organizations in this very important branch of our church work.

Of the total 64 Presbyteries in America 59 reported, from which we make the following summary:

Number of Little Light Bearers' Societies	64
Number of Junior Societies	400
Total Number of Societies	464
Number of Members in Little Light Bearers	1177
Number of Members in Junior	13847
Total Number of Members	15024
New Life Members	128
Honorary Members	521
Number Uniting with the Church	727
Number Graduated into Y. P. C. U.	571
Number Graduated into Y. W. M. S.	85
Number Junior Missionary Magazines ..	5700
Number Boxes and Packages	206
Estimated Value of Same	\$669
Number of New Societies	35
Number of Reorganized Societies	27
Number of Disbanded Societies	8
Net Gain of Societies	54
Net Gain of Members	1594

Again we wish to urge all Superintendents to keep an accurate roll of members, as well as an accurate account of contributions. Let us not be a shirker in the business of the Junior Department of the W. G. M. S., but regard this very important, if prosaic, part of the

records of our societies as one to receive the best of our ability as a steward.

The blanks are an interesting study and one can read of gains and losses, joys and sorrows in the comparison from year to year. We have cause for rejoicing in that this year only eight societies disbanded, where twenty-eight disbanded last year; this year the net gain of societies is fifty-four, where it was only thirty-five last year.

We notice two particular items with regret, namely, first, thirty-six societies gave no Thank-Offering and this carries with it three entire Presbyteries. We can partly account for this in our second item of regret, namely, fifty-three societies do not take any Junior Missionary Magazines. The Magazine is so reasonable in price, less than one penny a month, that it must be only an oversight on the part of the Junior Superintendent in subscribing for it, for if we all realize what it means to ourselves and the Juniors to be informed on the work we would surely see that every home was supplied with a Magazine. The Magazine is part of the necessary equipment of the Junior worker.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

When we consider the unusual business and financial conditions of the past year we are ready with a "Hallelujah Chorus" over our financial report, for the Juniors have contributed the largest amount in their history.

Twenty-two societies are on the Honor Roll, having contributed over \$100.00, while three more deserve special mention for contributing over \$90.00. The Young Helpers' of Salem, N. Y., head the list with \$292.00, while Robinson Run Juniors, McDonald, Pa., come second with \$276.00; Ingram Juniors, \$222.00; 8th Church, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa., \$206.00; closely followed by Claysville,

Pa. and Homewood, Pittsburgh, Pa., each with \$205.00 to their credit, six societies giving over \$200.00. The full list will be published in the July number of the Junior Missionary Magazine.

The Juniors have again contributed to every department of work under the care of the W. G. M. S. as follows:

Foreign Missions	\$ 977.00
Foreign Salaries	142.00
Home Missions	478.00
Indian Work	152.00
Freedmen's Missions	246.00
Church Extension and Parsonage	13.00
Ministerial Relief	11.00
Junior Special Work	2954.00
Presbyterial Expense Fund	120.00
Temperance	62.00
Isaiah 41:6 Fund	19.00
Congregational Work	734.00
District Work	172.00
Orphans' Home	197.00
Columbia Hospital	26.00
Aged People's Home	6.00
Little Light Bearers' Contribution ..	259.00
Junior Magazine Reserve Fund	34.00
Total	\$ 6602.00
Thank-Offering	7445.54
Grand Total	\$14047.54

Egypt.

Reports from three Presbyteries, representing twelve societies:

Number of Members in Little Light Bearers'	60
Number of Members in Junior Societies ..	1496
Total Members	1556
Number Uniting with the Church	16
Number Graduated into Y. W. M. S.	48
Number Boxes	1
Estimated Value of Same	\$5.00

Contributions.

Special Work	\$ 147.00
Miscellaneous	26.00
Congregational	7.00
Total	\$180.00
Thank-Offering	375.39
Grand Total	\$555.39

The total number of members reported

from Egypt and America means that there are 16,580 boys and girls in training to carry on the missionary work of our church, surely a vast army at work for the King of kings.

JUNIOR SPECIAL.

Last year we had to report that the Juniors were \$39.00 short in giving half of the \$5,000.00 asked for in two years for the Elizabeth D. Brown Dormitory, at Frenchburg, Kentucky. Now we report that the Juniors have succeeded in raising not only the \$5,000.00 required, but \$649.41 additional, making the total of the Junior Special contribution for the two years \$5,649.41.

In December when our General Treasurer reported that only \$324.41 had reached her for Junior Special during the nine months of this year, we felt that something should be done to stimulate greater activity among the Juniors for their Special work, so the "Dime Houses" were provided for this purpose. In five weeks 4170 of the "Dime Houses" were sent out, the returns from them in the two months of February and March being \$2,864.00; the receipts of the twelve months are \$3188.41, the largest amount ever contributed in one year for Junior Special. The nearest to this sum was contributed in 1911 and was \$2,836.95 for the Elizabeth Gordon Home in Sialkot, India. This result is most gratifying and indicates faithful effort on the part of the officers and members of the Junior organization, who have thus demonstrated to the senior societies what the Juniors can do when they are thoroughly in earnest.

The new work assigned to the Juniors for next year is in a field for which we have not worked for eighteen years, namely the Freedmen, and is to be a Boys' Dormitory at Camden, Alabama, to be erected at a cost of \$2,500.00. If

the Juniors will attempt this work in the spirit which prompted their efforts in behalf of the Frenchburg Dormitory, as we hope and believe they will, the money required for the Camden Dormitory will have been raised by March 31, 1916.

As before stated our 1914 Thank-Offering is the largest we have ever given, amounting to \$7,445.54, which exceeds our previous high mark by \$1,874.94. This year's grand total contributions of \$14,047.54 shows an increase over last year of \$2,559.15. During the twenty-three years of organization the Juniors have contributed the grand total of \$170,505.22, which includes the total Junior Special of \$35,497.26 and the total Thank-Offering of \$45,991.02.

These are large sums of money for the children to bring into the Lord's treasury and under His guidance will bless thousands of other lives. We should never lose sight of the fact that it is a great privilege to be permitted to help with our mite in God's work—to be co-workers with Him—and that He accepts and blesses our humblest offering if given with our whole heart, although all the gold and the silver are His and the cattle upon a thousand hills. We should therefore be humbly thankful for our privileges and feel a justifiable satisfaction in the monuments we are permitted to raise in His name; not only those of wood and stone, such as the Frenchburg Dormitory which will in time crumble into dust, but that ever lasting monument, the influence on the souls of those who will be sheltered within the walls of such institutions, an influence which can never die.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. I. H. MILLIKEN,
General Junior Secretary.

REPORT OF
THANK-OFFERING SECRETARY.
FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1915.

THE SWEET Psalmist of Israel sounded forth his richest note of praise to God, when he penned the 103rd psalm. Mr. Spurgeon called it "The Song on the Mount answering to the Sermon on the Mount."

During the past year this 103rd psalm must have been the true heart song of thousands of the members of the Women's, Young Women's and Junior Societies, judging from the expressions of gratitude to God, in form of rich gifts, which poured into the Lord's treasury at the Thank-Offering Ingatherings held last fall.

The 1914 Thank-Offering of \$77,969.58 is the largest received in the twenty-seven years of the existence of the Thank-Offering movement, except the Special Twenty-fifth Anniversary Offering of \$91,129.00 given in 1912.

All hearts should therefore rejoice with thanksgiving, that in a year when the stringency of the money market, and the pitiful pleas from the needy of our own and other lands might have proven strong barriers in the way of success in the onward and upward march of our Thank-Offering movement, the loving gratitude and faith of God's people have risen triumphant, and they have placed upon God's altar, large gifts with which to carry the blessed gospel to others.

Let the personal heart question of this hour be: "What shall I render unto the Lord for all His benefits to me?"

A successful year in the Thank-Offering Department of our women's work means increased support in every department of the mission work under the

care of the Women's General Missionary Society.

The bountiful sowing of good seed in the form of helpful literature in the Spring and Summer of 1914 and the wide distribution of the Thank-Offering boxes, with earnest, fervent prayers for God's rich blessings upon all efforts put forth, were the means of bringing in the golden harvest of gifts at the Fall Ingatherings.

In August, 1914, twenty-five hundred blanks were sent out to societies through the Presbyterial Thank-Offering Secretaries. Only 1260 were filled in with reports and returned to the Secretaries. These reports give a most encouraging increase in offerings by the majority of societies, but suppose all of the societies had been faithful in sending in full reports—*What might not our annual report be today?*

May the time speedily come when the Presidents of all societies will see that the blanks for their societies are well filled in *at once after the Ingatherings are held*, and returned promptly, to your Presbyterial Thank-Offering Secretary so that your General Thank-Offering Secretary can *for once* have the joy and privilege of giving to the Annual Convention a full report from all the societies in the church.

**THE STORY THE THANK-OFFERING
BLANKS TELL.**

In August 2500 blanks were sent out to societies through the Presbyterial Thank-Offering Secretaries. Only 1260 were returned, but they show a most encouraging increase in the offering by a large

majority of societies. May the time speedily come when the Presidents of all societies will see that their Thank-Offering blanks are well filled, and sent in *promptly* to their Presbyterian Thank-Offering Secretaries so that the General Secretary can have the privilege and joy, *for once*, of giving to the annual Convention a report from all societies in the church.

Reports by Presbyterials.

For 1914, thirteen Presbyterials are on the Honor Roll for having their Thank-Offering Secretaries send in well filled blanks from all auxiliary societies; Monongahela with 107 societies, Allegheny 78, College Springs 37, Rock Island 22, Kiskiminetas 19, Kansas City 16, Puget Sound 13, Wisconsin 11, Detroit 10, Uncompahgre 6, Vermont 4. Honorable mention is made of eight Presbyterials, that missed but one blank and seven that missed sending but two each.

Forty Presbyterials increased their offerings over 1913—a gain of 19, during the year. Of this number Allegheny Presbyterial leads with an increase of \$7,992.94; Monongahela follows second with an increase of \$1,299.46. Muskingum and Rock Island increased over \$300.00 each; Mercer, College Springs, Conemaugh, Delaware, Hudson, and Lake increased \$200.00 and over. Eight Presbyterials increased over \$100 each; 16 others made some increase. Twenty-two Presbyterials have reached over the one thousand dollar mark; three placed themselves in the four figure list during 1914—Conemaugh, Argyle, Rock Island. Caledonia, Cedar Rapids, Chicago and Lake Presbyterials, having each given over \$900.00 the past year, should with very little effort, step up into the four-figure list for 1915. These reports of Presbyterials do not include any gifts

paid into the treasury of the Women's Board after the books were closed January 1, 1915. All money paid to the treasurer after that date (and there was a goodly sum) will be credited in 1915 offering. The aim for 1915 is, every Presbyterial to make a generous increase. This can only be done by societies making an increase, and societies can only increase when individuals increase their gifts, and by enlarging the number who give. The Women's Board has never reached the point where it has ventured to ask Presbyterials to be placed on the Honor Roll by doubling their gifts in a single year, and yet, during 1914 Allegheny and Vermont more than doubled their offerings of the previous year. Are there not other Presbyterials that can find a place in this Honor Roll during the coming year?

Increase by Societies.

The number of societies that increased their gifts is 698—being 140 more than in 1913. Thirty-five Women's and twenty Young Women's Societies gained recognition on the Honor Roll by doubling their Thank-Offerings of the previous year.

Thirty-one Junior Societies have their names on the Honor Roll, their offerings having averaged one dollar per member. Honorable mention is made of 85 additional societies that almost doubled their offerings in the twelve months.

In Kansas Valley Presbyterial two societies gave three times more than in 1913 and one increased seven times. In Beaver Valley Presbyterial one senior society increased four times and one junior twenty-five times. In Caledonia, one Young Women's Society gave over six times; in Chicago one Junior Society more than doubled its former offering; in Colorado one society increased three times and one four times; in Hudson,

two Senior and one Junior each increased three times; Philadelphia, one society increased three times and one four times; in Southern Illinois, one Junior society increased thirteen times; Mansfield, one society four times; Mercer, one society nine times; Wheeling, one society eight times and one almost three times; in Monmouth Presbyterian six of seven Young Women's societies made a commendable increase; in Monongahela Presbyterian one Junior society averaged over \$2.00 per member.

Surely these facts go to prove that the members of the Women's Young Women's and Junior societies of the church have realized that "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Total Thank-Offering for 1914.

From Women's Societies	\$57,280.27
From Young Women's	11,243.77
From Juniors and L. L. B.'s	7,445.54

\$77,969.58

Thank-Offering Reports from Foreign Fields.

India.

Sialkot Presbyterian reports—Pasrur, Zafarwal, Memorial Hospital, Sialkot, and Sialkot City having increased their offerings; the last named having almost trebled its offering of 1913.

Gujranwala Presbyterian reports \$94, two societies having made an increase, and Martinpur having given four times its previous offering.

The total offering for India is \$191.00.

Egypt.

Delta Presbyterian is the only one to send in a report for 1914. Of twenty societies reporting, fourteen made an increase over 1913.

9 Women's Societies	\$128.80
4 Young Women's	444.00
6 Juniors' and I Little Light Bearers'	139.05

Total\$711.85

The report of the gifts from the Juniors' and Little Light Bearers' or-

ganizations in Egypt as copied from their blanks sent to the Junior Secretary of the Board, is worth repeating here:

Twelve societies report:

Members of Little Light Bearers'	60
Members of Juniors'	1,498

Contributions:

To Special Work (Building of a Dormitory for Mountaineers at Frenchburg, Ky.)	\$147.00
Congregational Work	7.00
Miscellaneous Objects	26.00

Total	\$180.00
Thank-Offerings	\$375.39

Total\$555.39

Life Members—1914.

Senior Life Members (\$25.00 each)	180
Junior Life Members (\$10.00 each)	247
Total	427

Distributed—orders Filled—1540.

Senior, Young Women's and Junior Envelopes	81,581
Senior and Junior Boxes	23,803
Senior and Junior Leaflets	63,630
Scripture Responsive Services	19,115
Messages and Order and Report	
Blanks	7,668

Total 195,797

What Next?

This important question continues to arise as one year's work closes, and another year's work begins. As the "King's business requireth haste"—there is no time to stop and rest by the way.

1.—In the future let your aim be to get into touch more and more with the women in your congregation, who are not members of your missionary society, and, through prayer and perseverance and kind invitations, bring them into your monthly meetings and save them from the woes God pronounces against those "who sit at ease in Zion."

2.—Make the subject of "giving" popular by having that part of your program brought before the societies in

some attractive form at each monthly meeting. Remember the Thank-Offering department as well as all other departments in your prayer circle, and at the home altar as well as in your closets.

4.—In the month of August place the amount of your 1914 Thank-Offering on a durable chart in the room where your society meets, and below it place your aim for 1915 in large figures. Keep it in a prominent place until after your Ingathering.

5.—Make your Ingathering program so attractive that every woman, young woman and child in your congregation will want to be present.

6.—Meet the expense of carrying on your Thank-Offering work in the congregation, from the contingent fund of your societies and *never—no never—* take it from your Thank-Offering.

7.—Have your Thank-Offering blanks filled out as soon as all of your offerings are in the treasury of your society and send to your Presbyterial Thank-Offering Secretary at once.

Don't retard and disappoint her by procrastination.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. MARY CLOKEY PORTER.

REPORT OF 1914 THANK-OFFERING.

Albany	\$ 413.50	Kiskiminetas	647.01
Allegheny	13281.82	Lake	964.42
Argyle	1093.99	LeClaire	193.46
Arkansas Valley	629.35	Los Angeles	1577.02
Beaver Valley	1900.34	Mansfield	427.02
Big Spring	298.03	Mercer	1364.48
Boston	602.01	Monmouth	1498.19
Brookville	232.49	Monongahela	11553.45
Butler	1416.09	Muskingum	1786.48
Caledonia	906.22	New Jersey	287.11
Cedar Rapids	939.80	New York	
Chartiers	2725.60	Ohio First	1003.93
Chicago	982.97	Oklahoma	84.71
Cleveland	1633.22	Omaha	509.16
College Springs	1482.72	Oregon	350.48
Colorado	825.13	Pawnee	303.00
Concordia	285.00	Philadelphia	1623.71
Conemaugh	1016.13	Pittsburgh	188.86
Delaware	790.41	Puget Sound	514.63
Des Moines	1147.00	Rock Island	1060.13
Detroit	727.55	San Francisco	691.47
Frankfort	600.00	Sidney	501.93
Garnett	483.78	Spokane	82.62
Hudson	418.61	Stamford	
Idaho	179.79	Steubenville	1293.14
Illinois Central	512.34	Tennessee	339.22
Illinois Southern	795.00	Texas	86.19
Indiana	861.10	Uncompahgre	47.00
Indiana Northern	187.90	Vermont	134.87
Iowa Northwestern	247.16	Westmoreland	2015.94
Kansas City	442.23	Wheeling	1396.15
Keokuk	1266.68	Wisconsin	535.03

Xenia	1555.00	Mrs. W. L. Taylor	200.00
Mr. T. S. Frazer	25.00	Mrs. F. E. Foster	1.00
Mrs. A. B. Denison	10.00	A Friend, Toronto, Ohio	1.00
Mrs. Lizzie S. McCulloch	5.00	Mrs. J. H. Russell	1.00
Mrs. W. C. Cleland	20.00	Mrs. Margt. W. Collins	5.00
Mrs. M. N. Gault	1.00	A Friend	1.00
Mrs. M. E. McCracken	10.00	A Friend	1.00
Harold, Mildred and Malcolm Irwin	25.00	Mr. Henry Wallace	500.00
Miss Jessie H. Crawford	35.00	Martha Tennent	1.00
Miss Margt. F. Kerr	10.00	Miss May Winter	20.00
Two Friends	5.00	Mrs. S. F. Hanna Memorial Com.	375.00
Frenchburg Cong.	31.15	Mrs. J. G. Campbell	10.00
Mrs. A. R. Bone	25.00	Mrs. W. W. Brown	1.00
Mrs. Fred. Elliott	1.00	Mrs. Mary A. Smith	25.00
Mrs. A. E. Kincaid	10.00	Mrs. Grace Seegar	5.00
Miss Sadie Carothers	10.00	Miss Jennie M. Blakeley	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Kuehnert	10.00	Norfolk College	25.00
Mrs. A. E. Halverson	10.00	A Friend, Pittsburg, Kans.	3.00
Mrs. J. S. Dague	25.00	Mr. Edward Reed	5.00
Mrs. J. K. Johnson	30.00	W. M. S., Palo Alto	25.00
Mrs. S. E. McCloseran	.25	Mrs. Hinkle	12.00
Mrs. Isa McKinley	.50	A Friend	50.00
Mrs. A. Hutcheson	3.00	Sand Hill Cong.	20.00
Miss Belle McRae	10.00	Margt. E. Douds	50.00
Firends of Missions	5.00	Mrs. George Adams	10.00
Mrs. W. C. Beatty	6.00	Mrs. Margt. S. Leeper	25.00
Rev. R. A. Hutchison	10.00	Income E. McCartney Bequest	7.00
Miss E. B. Harvey	200.00	Sale of Supplies	284.00
Mrs. James McNary	10.00	Interest	1532.84
Mrs. H. C. Campbell	20.00		
Mrs. Alzina Hill	1.00		
Miss J. K. Denham	750.00	Total	\$78454.51

PRESBYTERIALS	Foreign Missions		Foreign Salaries	Home Missions	G. B. S. Tanta	Junior Special	Tanta Hospital	Junior Life Membership	Senior Life Membership	Contingent Fund	Columbia Hospital	Mrs. Sarah Foster Hanna Memorial Fund	TOTAL
Albany	25.00			25.00	7200.00		25.00	610.00	525.00		25.00	2.00	27.00
Allegheny					6.00			30.00					8525.00
Arkyle				4.04				60.00	125.00				36.00
Arkansas Valley					38.00								14.04
Beaver Valley					10.00								223.00
Boston				12.00									10.00
Brookville												10.00	22.00
Butler					12.00	25.00		70.00	225.00				332.00
Caledonia								20.00	25.00			5.00	50.00
Cedar Rapids	12.00							70.00	125.00				207.00
Chartiers								210.00	25.00				235.00
Chicago	5.00								25.00				30.00
Cleveland					5.00			60.00	225.00			4.00	294.00
College Springs					7.00			40.00	100.00				147.00
Colorado					8.00			30.00				10.00	48.00
Concordia					41.00			40.00					81.00
Conemaugh					23.00			10.00	150.00				183.00
Delaware					5.00			30.00	100.00				135.00
Des Moines					15.00			40.00	50.00				25.00
Detroit					12.00			50.00	125.00				102.00
Frankfort								50.00	25.00				175.00
Garnett								10.00	75.00				85.00
Hudson								20.00				6.50	16.50
Illinois Central					5.00			30.00	50.00			6.00	31.00
Illinois Southern									25.00				98.28
Indiana	18.28							20.00				10.00	25.00
Indiana Northern													30.00
Iowa Northwestern					16.00			30.00	100.00				16.00
Kansas City				16.96	15.00			10.00					145.00
Keokuk								20.00	50.00				28.96
Kiskiminetas								10.00					70.00
Lake								20.00	50.00				50.00
LeClaire			5.00					20.00	25.00				60.00
Los Angeles					40.00			10.00					10.00
Mansfield								10.00	150.00				243.00
Mercer					83.00			20.00					60.00
Monmouth					40.00			320.00	575.00				967.00
Monongahela					57.00			50.00	325.00		15.00		390.00
Muskingum					15.00			10.00					10.00
New Jersey					20.00			10.00	25.00				55.00
Ohio First					3.00			10.00	25.00				28.00
Omaha								10.00				10.00	10.00
Pawnee					6.00			40.00	75.00			10.00	131.00
Philadelphia					5.00			30.00					5.00
Pittsburgh									25.00				30.00
Puget Sound													

REPORT OF FREEDMEN'S SECRETARY.

EARLY IN the year, 1914, war was declared in our Southland by a foe known as the cotton boll weevil, against the staple product of many of our Southern states. The assembly call was sounded, and so great was the need, that summer schools were not opened, as even the very small children were pressed into service to kill the weevil. Only a medium crop of cotton was saved to the planters, and ere it was ginned and baled, the great war of the world was on, the market for cotton closed and the South faced the greatest crisis financially since the Civil War. Many boys and girls who had toiled in the boiling heat to earn the price of their year's schooling were disappointed, and we read over and over again, as reports come in, "Not quite so many pupils this year, but the work otherwise is satisfactory." As we measure success not alone by achievement, but by difficulties overcome, we write success at the close of the record of 1914-1915.

Our fifty-one industrial workers have had an extra hard year, supplies were high in price, money slow to come in, and it took much planning to get good results. Mrs. C. H. Johnson continued to act as Superintendent of Robinson Memorial Hospital without any remuneration and we divided the time of two teachers with the Freedmen's Board so that our number of salaries was the same as last year, 49. The Young Women continue to support Miss Totten through the Young Women's Special, and Monongahela Presbyterial pays the salary of the Superintendent of Prairie farm.

On Convention platforms, year after

year, we have told it o'er and o'er and the delegates smiled, wrote it down in their note books and seemed to say, that is good—very good. We like a change in menu for reports as well as for victuals, and through the Magazine the past year we have tried to bring home the importance of a better support of our Negro American work, and I am glad to say we have at least cracked the crust of indifference. One of our small Presbyterials with only six Women's and four Young Women's societies, has, over and above other obligations, pledged for five years, at least, the salary of a Freedmen's missionary, and Mrs. Elliott of Prairie has been assigned for the honor of Detroit's representative. Not content with this, 1st Detroit comes again with a pledge of seventy-five dollars to furnish the sitting room in the new dormitory at Prairie. What's the matter with Detroit? "*She's all right!*"

The Women's General Missionary Society increased its gifts to Freedmen's work, an average of \$1.04 per society, if we credit the increase to Women's Societies only and by 43c. and an invisible fraction if we count in Young Women's and Junior Societies, and we come back to the same *desert*. From the Thank-Offering comes the bulk of the money for our department's work.

Tennessee Presbyterial sent one new life member the past year from the Athens, Tenn., Women's Society; contributed \$297.76, Thank-Offering, \$129 to missions at home and abroad and \$107 to district work. Now last year our societies averaged \$2 apiece for district work. This year the average is \$5, accounted for by the unusual financial

conditions. While more boxes and barrels of clothing could have been used we are thankful for the response to this need. Most of the clothing sent was given away this year, owing to lack of money in circulation. Now have we time for just a glimpse of our workers at work?

From Pittsburgh we like to go East on our way South, as we do not have to "double back" over any part of the way. We reach Bristol, Tenn., first. Bristol's annual report has not reached us yet, but the monthly reports show Miss Alberta Sherman to have 74 sewing pupils and Miss Francis Wood 25 in domestic science, just half as many as last year. Miss Wood writes, "We have an afternoon class composed of housekeepers and those who do domestic work in white families. This class at present numbers ten. Twelve lessons constitute a term and the fee charged is fifty cents per term. The pupils furnish their own materials and have learned to do canning, preserving and make jelly." At Knoxville College, Miss Anna Weir writes, "If we had no regrets, no disappointments, no discouragements, what a song we would sing." In her sewing classes 94 were enrolled, 592 articles were made, expenses met, a cash balance on hand of \$25.35, and material valued at \$26. In the dressmaking department, Miss Flo Foster has been in charge, has maintained the department, has a cash balance of \$385 and material, not estimated for, on hand. Miss Marian Hamlin had 49 pupils in domestic science. "Each girl in school at some time during her course is required to have the study of foods, their nutritive value, preparation and serving." Besides this, special classes are offered in house furnishing, home management, dietetics, practical hygiene and

"First Aid." The special classes are well attended.

Miss Mae Beveridge, matron of the boarding department, had between 170 and 180 boarders during the year. The work in the kitchen and dining room is all done by the pupils; one hour a day each being required.

Miss Clara Spears, matron of McCulloch Hall, has cared for 99 boys and young men, not quite as many as usual, but the interest has been good. Miss Spears has had charge of the Jr. Y. M. C. A. and reports studying Old Testament characters by Dr. F. N. Palmer. Several classes have also taken mission study. All the boys but one are professing Christians, (What a lonesome little sinner he must be).

Miss Margaret Beveridge writes that Elnathan Hall has been just comfortably full this year, not crowded as last year, the family numbering 91 in place of 112. Every one of them has professed Christ and we feel that many have made a marked growth in the Christian life."

Miss Margaret McDill of McDill Hall writes 16 of her girls were old enough to go to Elnathan Hall and she just had 28 left to care for this year, not as many as was expected had hard times not hindered many from coming. 10 states were represented and 4 were daughters of former Knoxville College girls. Miss Gordon, visiting nurse, was employed half time by the Board to visit and care for destitute sick in city and half time by the hospital. Miss McCahon reports a good year, made 1118 visits to homes and conducted 157 meetings. Some are reached in the homes who will not attend any meetings.

At Athens, Tenn., Miss Warren and Miss Sheler report more pupils both in sewing and domestic science than last

year. In December the domestic science department received from the patrons of the school, a donation of a wash board and tub, curtains for the kitchen and dining room, water glasses and a refrigerator.

At Riceville, Mrs. Ware has had all the pupils from the primary through the 7th grade take cooking lessons. The children bring the materials from home. The first class in millinery is reported here and some very nice hats were the result. A mothers' class and women's missionary society while not able to do much financially provided food and fuel for an aged couple all winter; the boys of the school cutting their wood and bringing water. Sick ones were ministered unto and deeds of kindness rendered as opportunity offered.

Miss Harper, sewing teacher at Riceville, says: The oldest pupil we have is about fifteen years of age and every child in school, boys as well as girls, takes sewing. During the first few months the work was mostly making caps and aprons for use in the Domestic Science Department. Many of the pupils not being able to buy material, made their caps and aprons out of flour sacks. Several of the girls have made dresses and a few boys have made dresses; most of the boys bring their patching and darning and do it in the sewing room. The boys do just as good work as the girls. A girls' missionary society was organized in February.

Cleveland reports 53 sewing pupils and the work encouraging. The small boys sew and do as good work as the girls. Miss Dick is still in charge. Miss Elizabeth Bradford has the domestic science classes and says there is no trouble getting the cooking done, but it is not so easy to teach economy and cleanliness.

At Arlington, Ala., Mrs. Edna Jenkins is matron. Mrs. Della Harris has the domestic science classes and Miss Bertha Torrence taught sewing to 57 girls.

At Prairie our teachers are Mrs. Parker and Miss Jackson. 15 took lessons in domestic science and 57 in sewing. Excellent work was done. Mrs. Elliott writes of the general work, "The Master has been good to us and given us many blessings. Everything looked dark when school opened, yet we have moved along in much the same way as usual. True, new students who planned to come did not get here. All the last year boarders were back but two. Some were not able to pay all their expenses, but with the help of an economical matron we have been able to stretch our provisions. Then, too, the community people were so grateful for clothing sent them from the North, and not having money with which to pay, brought in a chicken, once in a while, peas, syrup and corn and we will be able to close without any debt. The sister of one of the girls came from Mobile to visit and brought along smallpox. Only two of the girls took the disease. The doctor did not vaccinate, did not quarentine, and did not fumigate. He told us we were all likely to have it as all had been exposed. I begged him to bring us some vacine points but he did not. We were so frightened, and I did what I could but felt my ignorance as I knew absolutely nothing about smallpox, never dreaming it could reach this country place. However, I'll know before another school term rolls around. We did the best we could and some of the things seem funny to us now, but it was not funny at the time. The Juniors did not make a life member this year, and were so disappointed, but work had to be given to those in actual need. The missionary

society cared for a poor woman who had lost her mind, and after the end saw that she was buried nicely. The new dormitory and domestic science rooms are about finished. We sold to Mr. Noy Steel 25 acres of the farm land, east of Shell Creek. Mr. Steel is an elder in our church at Prairie. Of course this is an off year on the farm. Mr. Dumas calls it strenuous. The tenants on the plantation worked hard and lived economically and none suffered for food during the winter as they had raised corn, peas, potatoes, etc. The Superintendent works about 40 acres and harvested 100 bushels of oats, 500 bushels of corn, 20 tons of hay, 60 gallons of syrup, 136 bushels of sweet potatoes, and 5 bales of cotton. Early in the year the Board authorized Mr. Dumas to hold the farm products subject to the needs of the people in the community. \$25 worth of farm products were given away, \$300 in cash was sent to the Board."

At Miller's Ferry this year cupid stopped and the Rev. Mr. Moore of Mobile will take from us Miss Virginia Williams who has served as matron or sewing or domestic science teacher for eleven years. Mrs. Moore kept in order 20 boys, distributed the second-hand clothing and taught sewing to 124 pupils, filling in a day beginning at 5 a. m. and closing at 9:30 p. m. The laundry superintended by Miss Craig had 281 pupils at work; laundred 5453 pieces; cash receipts \$100.43; expenses \$72; balance on hand \$28.43.

Mrs. H. K. Patrick had 108 in domestic science. Two will graduate in this department May 6th, Edna Harris and Thomas Coleman, and will deliver an essay on Homes and Home making, and an oration on What to Eat, and Why Eat, respectively.

Mrs. Johnson has charge of the

mothers' meetings and says, "The mothers have been so crowded in the sewing room, that they have undertaken to build a house known as the mothers' and children's house, to provide also for the overflow in the lower grades. Judge Henderson donated two acres of ground and \$50 in money. A two-roomed house has been erected, one room 40x20, the other 30x20. The larger room is finished all but ceiling the sides. The mothers have paid all but a few dollars on it as it is, by doing odd jobs, washing, cooking, selling eggs or garden stuff. One mother over 60 years of age came one day with 25 cents, saying, "'Sis' Johnson, dis is all I could git, us aint sold no cotton and I worked in the mud and rain to git dis quarter.'" Many others brought nickles and dimes to the amount of \$1.00. Prizes were offered to those who attended every meeting and children were never prouder than these mothers who received a copy of stories of the gospel and other good books which will delight every member of the family.

Robinson Memorial Hospital cared for 375 patients at the Hospital and nurses made 405 visits to homes. Miss Moore has not spared herself, often walking five or six miles and not only caring for the sick one but looking after the family and putting the house in order as well. One case reported was of a very sick baby. It had only had one bath in its life—age not given—and the mother was afraid to wash it lest it take cold. Another case—tuberculosis. A young girl was shut up in a dark room, all the air possible was shut out and she lay on a mattress without sheet or cover. The hospital has paid expenses, one month's salary of the assistant superintendent and has a balance of \$100.

Dr. Johnson also sends us a report of the school because he wants us to know

all about Miller's Ferry. The total enrollment of the school, 287; boarders, 67; not quite half as many as last year. 50 persons confessed Christ during the winter, 25 of whom joined our church.

At Canton Bend Mrs. J. N. Cotton and Miss Sykes have had the usual round of duties, and have also reported many things of interest, such as the Young People's Convention, a farmers' fair, etc., and the work of the mission has been good. Mr. Cotton writes that opposition from the white people to Negro education has disappeared in that section.

At Camden we are planning to rebuild the boys' dormitory this year, but lest I spoil a good thing Mrs. Milliken has to tell you I will say "nuthing at all about it."

Miss Adele Cargil had 104 sewing pupils. Early in the year Miss Lucy Woodward, our matron and domestic science teacher for a number of years, resigned on account of ill health. We were sorry to part with her for we had grown to like her very much. Miss M. L. Powers filled out the term. The Alabama division of Tennessee Presbyterian met in Camden and Mrs. W. G. Wilson was elected President.

At Bluestone, Va., Miss Mary E. Davis had 73 sewing pupils. A domestic science department was opened here this year with Miss Lucy Haskins in charge and 29 pupils reported.

Chase City reports 115 in sewing and Miss Vera Campbell as very successful in the work, and sorrow is expressed that she will not return to the work another year. Another fire at Chase City destroyed the main school building which is to be replaced with a brick building. The corner-stone is to be laid commencement day, May 12th. Some-

how the annual reports of Chase City did not reach me.

At Henderson, N. C., Miss Warren reports 4 boys and 103 girls in domestic science. Miss Fields 111 in sewing and Mrs. Foster 80 in dress-making. Miss Murray who has had a year's leave of absence expects to be in her place in the sewing department in the fall of 1915. Miss Totten has charge of the dormitory with Mrs. Loving as assistant.

Jubilee hospital has had a good year, though there has not been as much sickness as usual for the past six months. Running expenses have been met, and a balance of \$62.63 on hand. During the year we connected the hospital with the city water lines at an expense of \$300. New instruments were bought for the operating room at a cost of \$85.50.

At Townsville, Miss Mattie Smith has 98 sewing pupils and Prof. W. E. Williams has been in charge of the school.

Norfolk reports 32 names added to the church roll. Mrs. Diggs had 154 sewing pupils; Miss Borst 113 in domestic science, and Mrs. Chandler as matron reports a hard year to make ends meet.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR.

Receipts by Presbyterials, \$5,510, an increase of \$676. Industrial departments, \$700.80, a decrease of \$301.40. Young Women's Special, \$420. Legacy, \$50. Sale of land, \$100. Interest and refund, \$88.65. Individuals, congregations and Sabbath School class, \$59.20. Thank-Offering, \$15,010.08. Total, \$21,938.73. Expenditures, \$21,730.82. Balance April 15th, 1915, \$207.91.

We thank you for your support the past year, and ask that you continue to remember in your prayers and gifts,

this work which is doing its part toward
the uplift of needy ones of our own
country.

Let us still be up and doing,
At it early, at it late,
Still achieving, still believing,
Labor on and never wait.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. SAMUEL YOURD.

FREEDMEN'S WORKERS, 1914-1915.

ATHENS, TENN.

Miss Dollie Warren.
Miss Carolyn B. Sheler.

BRISTOL, TENN.

Miss Alberta Sherman.
Miss Francis Woods.

CLEVELAND, TENN.

Miss Francis Dick.
Miss Elizabeth Bradford.

RICEVILLE, TENN.

Mrs. W. P. Ware, (one-half).
Miss Ada Harper.

KNOXVILLE, TENN.

Miss Jennie McCahan.
Miss Margaret McDill.
Miss Anna Weir.
Miss Clara Spears.
Miss Flo Foster.
Miss Mae Beveridge.
Miss Margaret Beveridge.
Miss Marion Hamlin.
Miss Gordon, (one-half).

ARLINGTON, ALA.

Mrs. Edna Jenkins.
Mrs. Della B. Harris.
Miss Bertha Torrence.

CAMDEN, ALA.

Miss Adella Cargiel.
Miss Matilda Powers.

CANTON BEND, ALA.

Mrs. J. N. Cotton.
Miss Clarinda Sykes.

MILLER'S FERRY, ALA.

Mrs. Virginia Williams Moore.
Miss H. K. Patrick.
Mrs. Callie Green.
Mrs. Lelia Creig.
Miss Moore.
Mrs. C. H. Johnson, (without salary).

PRAIRIE, ALA.

Mrs. Sylvestia Keenan Parker.
Miss Mary Jackson.
Mr. Isaac Dumas.

HENDERSON, N. C.

Miss Sallie Fields.
Mrs. Rachel Foster.
Miss Christianita Totten.
Miss Josie Warren.
Mrs. Martha Loving.
Miss Daisy Reid.

TOWNSVILLE, N. C.

Miss Mattie Smith.

BLUESTONE, VA.

Miss Mary E. Davis.
Miss Lucy A. Haskins.

CHASE CITY, VA.

Miss Margaret Campbell.
Miss Harriet Esdon.
Miss Vera Campbell.

NORFOLK, VA.

Mrs. Velma Diggs.
Miss Lois Shepherd.
Mrs. Chandler.
Miss Margaret Smith.
Miss Blanch Borst.
Miss Lillian Moseley.

REPORT OF HOME DEPARTMENT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1915.

DURING the year this department has supported five city missionaries, one interpreter to the deaf mutes, four workers among the Aliens and our Mountaineer school at Frenchburg, Ky., including the salary of seven teachers. Two new missions were opened during the year, namely, Goodyear Allotment, Akron, Ohio, and Culver City, Cal.

8500 calls were made by the missionaries, 136 names added to the church roll, and many lives brought in close touch with the Master.

Our workers report as follows:

REPORT OF GOODYEAR ALLOTMENT MISSION.

From May 1st, 1914, to March 31st, 1915.

Having closed my work at North Hill, Akron, Ohio, April 12, 1914, I came May the first to East Akron, Ohio, where the pastor of the first church, Rev. Mr. Keach, had started a mission in the Goodyear Allotment. An abandoned dwelling, fitted up for a little school in this new suburb, was secured for Sabbath afternoon services. Sabbath School was started and the work begun. During the summer we were unable to arouse much interest in the work, although there were four or five hundred people here and no church within a mile.

However, a working organization was formed, the first communion was held in June and by fall when we had gotten into the new school building, the interest and the attendance increased and we began to have visions of a new church.

The Board of Church Extension came to our aid and when a well-located lot was purchased and the building began

to materialize, confidence in our work increased, and following a week's preaching by Mr. Keach in December there were twenty-three accessions. Others came in, some by letter, some from the world and 35 through our Sabbath School, until we now have 65 members.

An attendance from 60 to 75 at preaching services and an average attendance of 135 in Sabbath School. An average attendance of 40 at mid-week prayer meeting and 30 at Junior. Have made an average of 169 calls per month. We have 18 members in our missionary aid society, 50 names on the Cradle Roll and 20 in the Home Department. The Sabbath School contributions for the year amounted to almost one hundred dollars. Since the Women's Missionary Society was organized in September, we have given five dollars to missions and the Juniors gave seven dollars to the Junior Special.

During February and March many cottage prayer meetings were held in connection with an Evangelistic Campaign in the city, and many have reaped a rich spiritual harvest from them. On the last Sabbath of March, a man 84 years of age, was publicly baptized and received into the church. Besides our regular Thursday night meetings we are conducting a Tuesday evening cottage meeting for Bible study and prayer.

We hope to be in our comfortable new church by June and the common sentiment is "The Lord has done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

MARY A. WORKMAN, Missionary.

**QUINCY AVENUE MISSION,
PITTSBURG, KANSAS.**

The work in this Mission is steadily growing. We feel that the great Father has been our counselor and guide through another year of service. We are not gathering in as many at present as we have heretofore, but we are trying to keep, teach and instruct those already on our roll. We feel it is not how many, but how well we do our work for Christ that counts.

Our Primaries are doing splendid work. They are divided, as the graded system requires, into a beginners' class of 20, a primary class of 15 and a Junior class of eight boys. This class is the pride of the teacher's heart, having completed each course. The intermediate boys and girls are doing splendid work. This class will form the Junior Society when school closes. The teacher of this class is one of the Gospel Team and a recent convert. He is doing good work.

The adult classes are very interesting and a splendid spirit prevails. Two earnest men of God are the teachers. Our Cradle Roll numbers 25. Through this channel we have been able to reach the hearts of many mothers.

The Mothers' Circles are doing their part well. On account of lack of time the two circles in the city have been meeting together. We enjoy some of the richest blessings in these meetings. Our average attendance is 25. At the Camp we have 14 members in the Mothers' Circle. This Circle meets each Wednesday at 1:30 p. m., with an average attendance of 12. So far only four have given their hearts to Christ, and just one family united with the church. Dunkirk has a population of about 450, with 200 school children and not one single church or Sabbath School and the only religious service those people have

it this Mothers' Circle that meets once a week, and every two weeks our Gospel Team from the Mission holds an evening service in one of the homes. We do not have a building or even a tent to worship in. These fourteen women in our Circle are almost the only American women in this camp. The people are so hungry for the Gospel of Christ. They remove the beds to make room, bring in boards for seats and invite the neighborhood to our meetings. In our meeting last Sabbath night, when the call was given eight men and women asked for prayer, and the Spirit was manifested in a wonderful way. We have met so much opposition in this Camp, we would that we could place the picture before you. We are praying that the time will soon come when we can have some kind of a place, even if ever so rude, where the children can be taught and more people hear "The Old, Old Story" we love so well. We feel that God has blest us abundantly more than we can ask or think. He has spared the lives of all our people and our Gospel Team still stands an unbroken chain, except for one young woman who moved away. This team all belong to our Teachers' Training Class, that meets every Tuesday evening. These Tuesday evening meetings have been called the Power House meetings, where we receive strength for the work we must do for the Master. We each try to be as little Samuel and when the call comes we answer, "Speak, dear Lord, Your servants hear."

Our Women's Missionary Society has not been able to meet the requirements in "The Standard of Efficiency," and I am unable to give a report. Rev. Mr. Thompson has just completed a line of study for me, in which I think I will be

enabled to interest our women in both home and foreign mission study.

One thing more I wish to speak of is our "Giving Christmas." Always before we have received, but this year through God's goodness and loving kindness we were able to relieve many wants and bring Christmas cheer into many homes. Through the kindness of our sister churches, Sterling, Jamestown and Americus, Kansas, all three sending boxes of good warm clothing, we were enabled to relieve much suffering. We feel grateful for their love to us and to those who received these gifts in His name.

Our new Chapel is only a vision as yet. Oh, how we do need this building! Dear sisters, we ask as a special request that you will pray earnestly for the work here in Pittsburg, Kansas, and the surrounding camps. Just now we are in such need.

NUMERICAL REPORT.

Number enrolled in Sabbath School	147
Attendance for year	4853
Average attendance	92
Offerings for year	\$73.86
Garments given away	200
Value of same	\$80.00
Value of Groceries given away	15.00
Donated to buy Bibles for Camp	5.00
Donated for Clothing	5.00
Assisted at funerals	13
Number of calls	1430
Total amount handled for relief work	\$125.00
United with church	13
No. of Mothers' Meetings	106
Teachers' Training Class taught	48
No. Gospel Team Services held	26

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. MAE DAUGHERTY.

CULVER CITY, CAL.

Los Angeles Presbytery made application to the Board for a worker for a new suburb of Los Angeles. Miss Irma G. Allen, who has done such efficient work

on the Pacific Coast, was appointed to this field and began work September 1st.

Miss Allen writes, "The seven months in Culver City have been joyous ones. The attendance and interest increases. Expect soon to organize a congregation. Every regular attendant of the church is enrolled in the missionary society, which is composed of fifteen members and is doing good work."

Average attendance in church	44
New members in Sabbath School	25
Average attendance	20
Number of calls	769

Since Florence Avenue Mission, Los Angeles, has been without a pastor, Miss Allen has been dividing her time between the two missions. Her work there has been principally calling, attending the meetings of missionary society and the prayer service. During the last month she has attended every service there.

IRMA G. ALLEN.

MUTES, PORTLAND, OREGON.

It is with pleasure that I submit this report of the work done for the deaf of this city, at the close of another year. The sermon has been interpreted every Sabbath morning throughout the year and the attendance has been good.

During the year three have united with the church on profession of faith. They are George Gable and Mr. and Mrs. Livingstone. The latter have three children, all of whom can hear and speak, and they, too, were baptized. Mrs. Livingstone was reared a Catholic. Her parents were very angry when she renounced Catholicism and came into our church and were more angry when they had the children baptized. The children attend both church and Sabbath School.

Frequently one of the deaf will say the sermon was particularly helpful to

him and express his appreciation of the privilege in having the sermon interpreted.

In the every member canvass, ten of the deaf pledged weekly support to the church, and I am sure there would have been many more had they not been suffering from the present financial depression.

Very respectfully,
FLORENCE C. METCALF,
Interpreter.

**ALAMO HEIGHTS MISSION,
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.**

We hold our Sabbath School every Sabbath afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, and preaching at 3:30 by Rev. C. E. McStravick of the First Church.

Total enrollment in Sabbath School	60
Average attendance	35
Members in missionary society	8
Cradle Roll	14

Two things have interfered very materially with our work during the past year. First, we have been effected by the hard times, and second, have had so many contagious diseases in our midst, scarlet fever, diptheria, measles, chicken pox, and mumps, that our Sabbath School has not grown as we would like to report. Have made 1250 calls during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
EDITH WARNOCK.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

With this report Mrs. Coates closes her work in Washington, D. C. Her report is as follows:

Thirty new members have been added to the congregation during the year and there are about seventy more prospective members who will come sooner or later.

The Sabbath School has a membership of 264, and since the dedication of the

new building, March the seventh, new pupils are coming in every week. The school is running on the graded system as far as that work has been prepared, and has won a certificate from the "Efficiency Committee" of our denomination.

There is a Teachers' Training Class and the Cross and Crown system has been adopted.

The Junior Society has a membership of 26, all under fourteen years of age, and doing good work. The Women's Missionary Society has taken on new life and has added eight new names to its roll. It has helped with the erection of the new church and has given a fair sum for both home and foreign mission work.

Young Women's Society has an active membership of 9.

The absence of our pastor for more than six months, canvassing for funds for the building of the new church, his vacation, and an illness of five months, while it has had a bad effect on the work for the past year, will ultimately work out for good in that it has taught the congregation to go forward with the work of all the branches. With the pastor on the field and the training which the people have received, the present year will undoubtedly bring forth great results. Total number of calls 2500.

Yours truly,
MRS. A. W. COATES.

ALIEN WORK.

Second Italian United Presbyterian Church,
615 Oakwood St., E. E. Pittsburgh, Pa.
Report for Year Closing March 31, 1915.

During the month of July we held tent meetings in the Italian colony, and hundreds heard the pure Gospel. Twenty-five cards were signed and of

these five became members of our church.

We have a circle for prayer which meets every Thursday night at seven o'clock to pray for the members who are in Italy, for those weak in the faith and especially for those who do not attend the meetings regularly. God in His mercy has heard our prayers, and three of those who for a time did not attend church have returned and brought with them their families. In spite of all obstacles and especially the work of the Catholics, God gave us cause to rejoice in His blessed work and we are looking forward for greater blessings, knowing that Jesus is mighty to save.

What we need very badly is a suitable building in which to carry on the work. For this year also, the glory and honor for what has been accomplished, is given to God, for He is the One Who works through us for the salvation of our countrymen.

Respectfully,

REV. M. RENZETTI, Pastor.

Numerical Report.

Ruling Elders (provisional session)	3
Communicants, last report	58
Present number	80
Increase by profession	32
Increase by certificate	2
Decrease by removal	10
Decrease by death	2
Infant baptisms	4
Funerals	3
Sermons preached	47
Average attendance	76
Bible class taught Sabbath morning	46
Average attendance	38
No. in Sabbath School	70
Average attendance	61
Average attendance weekly prayer meeting	37
Average attendance Y. P. C. U.	37
Bibles sold	3
Given free	2
New Test. and portions of Script.	150
Offering at Sabbath evening services	\$184.83

Offering at Sabbath School	71.05
Total	\$255.88

Expenses.

Special to work at home	\$ 30.88
Benevolences	53.35
Thank-Offering	6.76
Congregational expenses	85.90
Sabbath School expenses	48.90
Total	\$225.79

Respectfully,

M. RENZETTI.

Since it is impossible for a man, even a minister, to enter the homes of foreigners, at the request of the Presbytery a young woman missionary was appointed by the Board to assist with the work in the Brushton Mission of which Rev. Mr. Renzetti is the pastor. Since the first of September, Miss Elenore Ribet has been on the field and has done efficient work. She reports as follows:

Number of calls during the seven months 1108. Time spent in visiting, 923 hours. Ministrations on account of sickness and deaths, 79 hours. Members in church and Sabbath School with average attendance, same as Mr. Renzetti's report. Members in Junior society, 28; gave to Home Missions, \$5.00. Number in day school, 35; average attendance, 20. Number in night school, 32; average attendance, 13.

ELENORE RIBET,

Missionary.

WILMERDING AND RANKIN DISTRICT.

The missionary reports:

I have been in this field for six months, and as far as I can discern, the Lord has blessed His work wonderfully. There has come such a change over the Italians in this colony that even the infidels and the indifferent have taken notice. Young men who spent their time and money, and even plunged into debt to satisfy their thirst for cards and drink, have

now left the broad and flowery path that was leading them from God and have turned their foot-steps toward the narrow and rough road to follow the bleeding footprints of the Master which leads to eternal life.

A few weeks ago I called on a man who has been converted four months. He opened his heart to me, as to what he was before he was converted. He told me how he maltreated his wife, how his house was always open day and night for the gang he went with, and they would play cards, drink beer, wine, whiskey and other such poisonous drinks. He earned forty dollars every two weeks, and how he would spend it all and plunge into debt besides. Now he said I am getting only nine dollars every two weeks and it is more than sufficient for me and my wife. How happy that young wife is now. She has been attending our mothers' meetings very faithfully and I believe will soon come out on the side of the Lord.

Just a few days ago I heard an astonishing testimony from a young man of our mission. (I have been told by people who knew the family in the old country that they belonged to the aristocratic class. They were very wealthy in Italy and even in America this young man was too proud to do any kind of work). But he testified that Jesus has taken all that pride away, and now every morning with pick and shovel under his arm, and a broad smile on his face he goes daily to work on the street. His mother had never heard him pray and now is astonished to hear him pray so earnestly. I have distributed Gospels and tracts which have done much good outside of the mission, opening the eyes of many. We have a well attended Sabbath School, mothers' meeting and children's meeting. The

mission room is very small and it surprises me how the people come to worship in this room when they have been accustomed to the gorgeous and sumptuous edifices, of the Roman Catholic church. This, I am sure, is because they have found the truth and the light.

I have made in all 655 calls. Most of these calls have been followed by prayer, and God has answered wonderfully. May the Lord bless His work abundantly and send His wonderful working power upon His servant.

ANNA DESANTIS,
Missionary.

The Croation Mission, N. S., Pittsburgh. Miss Elizabeth Hamilton, the missionary, is supported by the women of Allegheny Presbyterial.

CROATION MISSION.

Supported by the Women of Allegheny Presbyterial.

April 1, 1914 to March 31, 1915.

Number of families in touch with missions, 48. Number of pupils who come with some degree of regularity, 90. Average attendance at Sabbath School (Workers, 6; Pupils, 41), 47. Average attendance at weekly boys' meetings, 17. Average attendance at sewing meeting, 13. Average attendance at meeting held on Tuesdays for the small children, 18. Total week day average, 48. Contributions for year, \$40.35. Used as follows: To India for starving babies, \$3.00. To Sudan mission boat, \$5.00. To Frenchburg Dormitory, \$3.00. To Tanta Hospital, \$4.00. To Warm Springs Indian Mission, \$3.00. On hand, to go with April's contribution, 32 cents. Total, \$18.32. The remainder is our contingent fund, used for supplies and running expenses. No demand is made on the Presbyterial fund, except

the rent, the janitor service, and the salary of the worker.

Blue Ribbon Brigade formed. Number of pledge signers, 18. Services held one evening each month since September. Speakers are the various ministers of the Northside churches. Attendance and interest in general, good. Visits by worker, 485.

The statistics of a year's work form only the barest skeleton, and give no idea of the prayers, the tears, the faith, the discouragements, and sometimes the despair which enter into the warp and woof of the work. In last year's report, the average attendance was given as 54, not counting the workers, 60 in all. This year it is 47, counting the workers. In other Sabbath Schools, the figures include the total attendance; so it should in ours. Now this does not at all mean that the school is decreasing; it only means that previous to November 19, 1913, there were no records, so the report was based on four and one-half months, and they were the months when the attendance is the best. For the corresponding period this year, it is 58 pupils. In the summer months the attendance falls very low; in July and August of this year it averaged 18 and 22 pupils respectively during the unavoidable absence of the worker, who employs Saturday afternoons in rounding up the flock. Even then many of them get away. That is one of the great drawbacks and heartaches—they will not come. There is a Catholic cemetery not far away, to which whole families go regularly on Sabbath afternoons all summer long. The children are very profuse in their promises to be at Sabbath School, but it is less to them than even a "scrap of paper." The idea of doing anything because it ought to be done, never enters their minds. Their

ignorance of spiritual things was so great that they even had no vocabulary, and they had to be taught the meaning of words before they could get the meaning of sentences. This took time, skill, and great patience. They now have considerable knowledge of the things of the kingdom, but they have no sense of sin. In the abstract they know that sin is breaking God's law, must be punished, and that the blood of Christ cleanses from sin, but they feel no personal need.

However, looking back over the year, it is not entirely dark. The temperance question has become a very live one. It was a long time before it was wise to lay it before the children and young people in any aggressive way, for intemperance is one of their easily besetting sins, beginning in many families at a very early age. First their attention was called to the men reeling along the street; to the omnipresent beer wagon; an appeal was made to their pride—their sense of respectability; and they themselves know the privations arising from it. Then they found what the Bible says about it. Pledge cards were taken to the mission, distributed around, read, explained, talked over, then gathered up and laid away. After a few times doing this, they were asked to sign, but first they must talk it over at home so their parents would know what they were doing. This brought up the question in the homes. In some cases the parents refused; others were very glad to have the pledges signed. Some of the young people are trying to see if they are able to hold out against drink before they sign. The wording of the pledge seems to have made a deep impression on them. It is the first time they have made anything a matter of conscience. No one has been allowed to sign until we were sure the nature of the pledge was understood and

assented to. But now there is a hopeful temperance nucleus.

Just a few of them begin to see that Sabbath is a day set apart. Not long since as Sabbath School was dismissed, a dirty little boy with some implement of play in his hand, came past the mission; one boy stood in front of him, pointed his finger at him and said, "You're breaking the Sabbath Day." Another at once added, "Yes, you're breaking the Sabbath Day." This was not a great deal, but it was much better than nothing.

We give every alternate month's contribution to missions, and what our Croatian children know about the mission stations of the United Presbyterian Church, would put many older United Presbyterians to shame. They have to considerable extent given up the idea of purgatory, since they know that the Bible, for which they have great respect, speaks of the sheep on the right hand and the goats on the left, no other place being mentioned.

On their own initiative the girls in the sewing class asked, "Do you believe that the bread is the real body of Christ?" The reply, "In your church as in ours, the bread is a sign of the body of Christ, and helps us to remember that He was crucified for us, but we all know that the bread itself is made of flour," and nothing more was said.

But the story of the Croatia Mission is like Tennyson's Brook, and must stop without coming to an end. We cannot lift the veil of the future, but "We would rather walk with Him in the dark than go alone in the light; we would rather walk with Him by faith than go alone by sight."

ELIZABETH HAMILTON,

Worker.

**REPORT OF THE FRENCHBURG SCHOOL
AND CHURCH AMONG THE MOUNTAIN
PEOPLE OF KENTUCKY AT FRENCH-
BURG, KY., 1914-1915.**

In looking back over the past year, we find many of the fruits of former years' work to be evident. For these we are profoundly grateful. It gives us great encouragement in a difficult work.

The plan of graduating the pupils from one department to another, giving each one a diploma as evidence of the completion of the departmental work has been instrumental in keeping a great many in school who had stopped before to go to work in the fields. Many thus complete the intermediate grades that would not otherwise do so. The pupils in the Normal Department, with the exception of one, secured first class certificates. We had hoped that more of these teachers who were thus given four years privilege of teaching would avail themselves of the privilege of taking high school work. The first graduates of the High School Department were sent out to a wider field of endeavor. We are glad to report that three of them are at Westminster College, ranked as Sophomores in the classical course with advanced credits. The reports are that they are good students and are manfully striving to complete their education. They with the young lady are indeed "First Fruits From Frenchburg." A booklet by this title published by the Women's Board contains the orations given at the first commencement with photographs of the class and other views. We recommend this to all those who are interested in Frenchburg. The graduates discuss the mountain problem and the relation of our school thereto. If you are in doubt whether it pays to give the mountaineer a chance for an education, be sure to read this booklet. Apply to the Literature Secretary.

The sewing class has increased in interest and a great deal of practical work has been done. Friends have contributed sewing machines and sewing material, without which we could not have continued the class. The material sent in is made up by the class into garments that are needed by the more unfortunate. One family which was burned out, losing their all, found that this class was a friend in need. The girls are now getting the linen ready for the clinic and the hospital. All sorts of material can be used.

A cooking class was started this year and great interest has been shown by the girls privileged to be in it. As this privilege is only given to the girls of the higher grades, it offers a great incentive to the girls of the lower grades to persevere and attain, in order that they may have this coveted privilege. There is a great demand and need for vocational work pertaining to the home and farm life. The starting of this class was made possible by the donation of stove and cooking utensils by individuals and societies in Xenia Presbyterial and by other friends. One of the basement rooms has been set aside for this cooking class. There is great need of something warm for the pupils who bring their dinners, and we are hoping to be able to have this class prepare some simple dish for these dinners.

The response by our friends in sending clothing has been very hearty, and yet in spite of this increase in amount of clothing sent, we have had so many more calls than we could meet. We are depending on these friends, who have remembered us in the past, to continue this cooperation.

The demand has been very great upon the funds sent us for urgent needs and the balance in this fund is now very

small. Without the assistance of this fund many of our brightest pupils would be without the slightest chance of getting an education. We want to thank these friends who have remembered our mountain lads and lassies. We have tried to get our list of acknowledgements of donation published, but our list of benefactors is apparently so large that the church papers will not publish them. We have tried to write personal acknowledgments to all these friends, and should you not have received acknowledgment, we would be glad to have you straighten out the record and give you credit.

All the shoes and stockings that have been sent have been needed and more. Had we not had these, many of our pupils could not have been in school regularly. In previous years the pupils would come with their wet feet, having waded through the creek beds, (their only means of getting here) and have to go through the day thus, and consequently there was always a good deal of unavoidable sickness and irregular attendance. This year we have tried to furnish each child wishing them a pair of shoes and stockings to wear during the day. The wet shoes and stockings were taken off in the morning and when it came time to go home in the evening there were dry shoes and stockings awaiting them. Many of these are of no use now, and we are in need of many more for the next wet season.

The two Sabbath Schools have had prosperous years, the attendance having increased from the previous years. The people have begun to seek membership in our little church and we are pleased to welcome them. The prayers of our friends and ourselves have been answered by the bringing to Christ of those of our pupils the burden of whose

salvation was put upon our hearts. The little congregation has paid its local expenses and has overpaid its pledge to the Boards of our church to the amount of \$34.80, a total of \$207.80. The organization of the men's Bible class in the grand jury room of the Court House is a very encouraging sign. When the people of the village see the smoke coming out of the Court House chimney Sabbath morning they no longer shake their heads and regret that there is another gambling game on! 'The bell unblushingly calls the men to be there at 8:30 a. m. Forty men have been enrolled in the class, very few have ever been members of a Sabbath School.

One of the greatest of our encouragements has been the response of our people here to the call to build a little hospital in connection with the temporary dormitory. The investigation by Dr. Stucky showed that twenty-three per cent. of the school children examined had trachoma, and many more had symptoms that would indicate the first stages of the disease. This leads, if neglected, to blindness; and there has been much impaired vision among the pupils of the school, some of whom need instant attention. As a result of this investigation our people have undertaken to erect a little hospital. Our Women's Board has responded nobly to the need and has added Dr. Esther Mitchell of Springfield to our force. She is to have charge of the little hospital. The Springfield, Ohio, churches have equipped the operating room, and Dr. D. W. Hogue, an eye specialist and an elder in the First Springfield church, has given his services and will hold at least two clinics a year. The first clinic is to be held April 20 and to continue a week.

Dr. Stucky of Lexington who came at the suggestion of our Women's Board to make the preliminary investigation is to open this first clinic.

Attendance Record. Frenchburg School.

April 1, 1914 to April 1, 1915.

Grades	139
High School	32
Normal	14
Total	185
District Pupils	89
Moved in	12
Pupils Working	52
County Tuition	19
Cash Tuition	16
Total	188
Counted Twice	3
	185

Tuition Account.

April 1, 1914, Balance	\$111.77
Grades and District, 14-15	521.38
Co. High School, 14-15	200.00
Total	\$833.15
Paid Treasurer of Women's Board	833.15
April 1, 1915, no balance.	

Educational Fund.

Balance April 1st, 1914	\$ 97.12
Amount Received During Year	384.70
Total	\$481.82
Paid Out	474.30
Balance April 1st, 1915	\$ 7.52

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT GREER WEIDLER.

For the coming year we ask your continued interest in each part of this department. The maintenance of the Elizabeth D. Brown Dormitory and the Infirmary at Frenchburg, Ky., will require large contributions and gifts. Two new salaries have been added to our

present list. For the summer months one of the mountain boys now in college at New Wilmington, Mr. Herbert Armistage, will act as Sabbath School missionary in Menefee Co., Ky., and work in the interest of our school.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Total receipts\$24847.95
Total disbursements\$17736.07

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. WM. S. COOK,

Secretary of Home Missions.

REPORT OF

INDIAN SECRETARY.

IF THE General Assembly of 1890 did not altogether agree with the declaration of the poet that, "The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world," it gave evidence of at least a partial agreement, when it committed to that same hand the whole Indian work of the United Presbyterian Church.

At that time our only fields were located in Oregon, one at Simnasho and the other at Warm Springs. Somewhat previous to this, the Allegheny Presbyterian Society built a parsonage at Warm Springs, and this also was transferred to the Women's General Missionary Society when it assumed the work.

In 1903, in response to the earnest request of the Cedar Rapids Presbyterian, that we assume the work among the "Sac and Fox" Indians at Tama, which field had been tried and abandoned by the Presbyterian Mission Board, we opened our third mission, among the Indians at that place. In 1906 we purchased land and erected a building for the missionaries' residence, also to be used for meeting and Sabbath School services. Two lady missionaries commenced and carried on this work for a time. Later it was thought wise to have a minister in charge, and until the present time we have supported both a minister and lady missionary at Tama. Feeling that the size of this field did not

justify the employment of two missionaries, the Board at its meeting April 20th, decided that in the future we would employ only one missionary here, as we do in both our other fields.

Many changes have been made in the personnel of our workers during the past year and I beg leave to introduce to this Convention the names of our new missionaries, as follows: Rev. Mr. H. T. Jackson, Warm Springs; Mr. W. A. Matthews, Simnasho, and Rev. C. C. Kyle, who hopes to take up the work at Tama, which field has been vacant since the resignation of Mr. Cooper, April 1st.

To the Rev. Mr. J. A. Speer, who was our pioneer worker at Simnasho and who, at the request of Oregon Presbyterian, assumed the supervision of the work at both our Oregon fields this past year, while they were without pastors, we are profoundly grateful. Extensive repairs were made on the buildings at both stations and Mr. Speer had the supervision of this work also. We are pleased to report that the land allotted to, and used by us for mission purposes at Simnasho was formally deeded to us by the Government and is now the property of the W. G. M. S.

In September, 1914, Mr. Matthews took up the work at Simnasho and in December, Rev. Mr. Jackson commenced his labors at Warm Springs. Both these

men are fast winning the love and respect of the Indians and have the sympathy of the Government employees in the near-by schools.

Carefully compiled statistics place the Indian population of the United States at 331,250, one third of these as truly pagan as are the natives of non-Christian countries.

Hon. Cato Sells (Indian Commissioner) says in his annual report that the Indian is the most complex problem with which the Government is confronted today, and this in reference only to his physical well being and property rights. What more complex problem faces us in our mission work? There are 85,302 Indians who have professed Christianity, 200,000 under some church influence. The Catholics have the largest following and it is noted, they are slowly but surely securing the Government positions to the almost entire exclusion of Protestant workers. It is strongly hinted they have designs upon our own Warm Springs mission. This ought not to be. We must not sit idly by and see this field slip from us; we must hold our people at this place to our principles and our tenets of worship! The old wigwams are slowly but surely giving way to houses and we hope in the near future, all these people will be living in permanent homes. There is a marked improvement in their mode of living. The advance they have made along this line encourages us to hope for higher spiritual attainment, but the progress must necessarily be slow.

In the first place the Indian has been robbed of this land—his rightful inheritance; compelled, because of the greater strength and number of his white adversary, to leave the hunting grounds which were so dear and pleasing to him and set up his abode in some

neglected corner that did not appeal to the white man. This treatment did not tend to an overwhelming confidence in the white brother's integrity and gave him, too, a confused sense of his own standing among us. Strong chains bind him to old customs and superstitions, and it is almost impossible to induce the older ones to break away, even if a desire to break away could be created.

To create this desire, and to convince him that we are friendly and wish to do him good, is not the least of our missionaries' work among them.

Tuberculosis and trachoma are the most dreaded diseases, so prevalent are they that the Government has established a number of sanitoriums for their treatment. One of these is located in Toleda, near Tama, and Indians from many reservations come here for treatment. Our workers at Tama visit this sanitorium at stated periods and read and talk and pray with the patients, thus extending their missionary work outside our own particular field. The idea that the Indian dresses in skins and feathers and decorates himself with war paint is a crude one. They dress very much as other people in their station, reserving their tribal dress for their feasts and dances.

The Government employees at our three stations are quite friendly and allow the missionaries to hold services in their schools. This is important, because in the conversion of the children lies our hope of success; and who can measure the good influence these services may have upon future generations?

Skeptical people ask, is the work among Indians worth while? The hand that peopled this country with these "red brothers" does not work by chance. Then, too, no chance caused the persecutions on account of religion, that

impelled the Pilgrim Fathers to this land where "they might worship God according to the dictates of their own wills." It looks much like God's plan to Christianize an erring people and what are we that we dare ask, "Is the work worth while?"

Mr. Jackson in a recent report sent the following: "I went about ten miles about two weeks ago to conduct the funeral of one of our aged members. He was the last of three former Piute chiefs and had a thrilling history. About thirty-five years ago he was compelled by the Bannock Indians, with many other of the Piutes, to fight the whites and in the conflict was taken captive to Vancouver, where he convinced the United States authorities that he was forced into battle and made an earnest plea to be allowed to return to the Warm Springs country that he might live and die among Christian people in his old neighborhood. His request was granted and his days were spent there. Now, his dust mingles with that of his beloved Christian Warm Springs and his spirit has returned to his Christian God." Was this one soul worth while? And this is not an isolated case. I am told of women in the prayer circle, recently organized at Warm Springs, who in giving testimony say, "I want to lead a good life and do what the good Book says, but I am afraid I have not been as good as I should have been, for my daughter is so bad." Another asks for prayers that she may, in the face of her family's opposition, remain true to her knowledge of right living.

We have a good, live church with a native session at Warm Springs, and 9 accessions reported this year.

The total cost of maintaining the work this year was \$6582.44. Fifty dollars annually is allowed at each Oregon

station to supply medicines and necessary food for sick and poor Indians. Would it not be a beautiful thing for some society to pledge this amount for this purpose; I am sure it would be highly appreciated by the Board.

Our friends have responded most generously to our department this year, and are writing to our missionaries telling them of their interest in the work and their prayers for the workers. These letters are a great encouragement. It creates an indescribable feeling of contentment to know there are those interested enough in us, to be watching and praying.

And so we affirm the work is worth while and we are responsible. We have taken their inheritance—verily this fair land "flowing with milk and honey" was once theirs—and so far as in us lies the power, we must see that they secure the "inheritance that fadeth not away."

The following is a statement of receipts and disbursements during the year:

Balance April 15, 1914	\$2948.84
Receipts	4852.69
Disbursements	6582.44
Balance on hand April 15, 1915	1219.09

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Warm Springs, Oregon,
April 12, 1915.

To the Women's Board:—

Your missionary and his family arrived on the field December 4th, 1914. These four months have been very eventful among these needy and interesting people, consisting of the Warm Spring, Wasco and Piute tribes.

Many experiences have brought to us revelations of the manners, customs and religions of the seven hundred and fifty Indians of the reservation. They certainly make a fascinating study and the longer we are here the more do we realize

that the Gospel of Jesus Christ applied to the heart and life of the individuals of these tribes is the best solution of the problems which confront us on every side.

We really marvel sometimes and praise our blessed Lord when we witness the devotion and continued faithfulness of a number with whom we are brought into fellowship day after day. The ignorance, superstition, and various forms of false religions of many appeal to us for increased patience, zeal and prayer. We see evidences of God's favor and blessing during the short period of service. As the days go by we are impressed with the great need of simple, practical Bible instruction and a class has been formed among the older men and women to meet on Thursday afternoons, but progress is slow, as so few can read, and the teaching must come through the means of an interpreter.

On the Sabbath we have a Bible School at 9:30 a. m. in the Government chapel where the International Lessons are taught. The scholars in attendance are exclusively from the boarding school, the number being from 70 to 75 each Sabbath. It is gratifying to hear their voices ring out in the use of the Psalter Hymns. The singing compares very favorably with other schools of our church. The Women's Missionary Society meets twice, and the Temperance Society once each month just after the regular worship. For many months prior to our coming last December there had been little preaching in the evening, but now we have it in the church every Sabbath night except once, at which time it is held in the chapel. We have a prayer circle which meets bi-monthly in the homes. This is composed entirely of women. At our Wednesday evening

prayer service in the chapel we have the majority of the school children.

Once each month a sermon is preached at Sic-see-qua chapel nine miles from the agency. On this day Mrs. Jackson conducts the regular services at Warm Springs. We have held two communion services. At the last one in March our hearts were cheered when five persons were received into our fellowship. One of these is the Government blacksmith at the Warm Springs Agency; his wife was reared in a Jewish home. Both with their four children received the sacrament of baptism. The Government farmer at Simnasho and his wife came by letter from the M. E. Church at Shurz, Nevada. A woman was also received by certificate from the Indian M. E. Church of the Yakima Reservation. During these four months nine members have been added to our number.

Of the 125 members reported last year, we found only 92, as many had lapsed to Shakerism, the Feather religion and other false teachings. Several weeks ago one was called away by death. He was the last one of three former chiefs of the Piute tribe and had an interesting and thrilling history.

The exercises at Christmas time were attended by a great number of people. We had a large tree covered with presents. In addition to these and the treat we distributed much clothing which had been contributed by friends of the mission. It was a joyous occasion to old and young. Indians, like other people, enjoy the giving and receiving of presents.

It is pleasing to report that many letters of inquiry concerning the work are received and assurance given that it and the missionaries are remembered frequently at the throne of grace. The Christian Endeavor Society of our

church at St. Joseph, Mo., wrote us that we were chosen by them as the subject of prayer during the month of February.

Our short experience among this needy people has convinced us that no mission field appeals more for the prayers of the church than the Indian work at Simnasho and Warm Springs.

Donations for the work were made as follows:

One box of clothing and bedding and a box of toys from Albany, Oregon, W. M. S.

One box of clothing and bedding from North Yakima, Wash., W. M. S.

One box of clothing and bedding from Santa Ana, Cal., W. M. S.

One box of clothing and dried fruit from Miss C. J. Gibson, Modesta, Cal.

Quilt pieces from the Women's Missionary Societies of Garner, Iowa, and Sterling, Kansas.

\$2.20 from the Christian Endeavor Society of St. Joseph, Mo.

\$50.00 from Women's Board for sick and poor.

75 copies of the Psalter Hymns from the Board of Publication.

Respectfully submitted,

H. T. JACKSON.

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Simnasho, Oregon.

To the Women's Board:—

The writer began work as missionary to the Indians at Simnasho, September 7th, 1914.

During the interval since then we have held services each Sabbath. In the early fall, the attendance was very small. On one occasion we had only 9 present. At that season of the year the majority of the Indians have left the reservation. They go out to the hop fields, potato fields, etc., seeking employment. Some, also, go out for pleasure. However, the

average attendance for the ten months has been 40. This we think indicates that the Indian likes to come to service, whatever the motive that brings him.

They ride distances of three to ten miles; many times in difficult weather and on bad roads, and frequently reach the chapel two hours before the service begins and wait patiently until the proper time.

We have the privilege of meeting with the children of the day school every Friday afternoon. We have Bible stories, Bible songs and Bible memory work. This is a most enjoyable service to us and we trust it is profitable to the children.

We have endeavored to do a good deal of personal work, that is talk to them about their need of Christ. What the outcome of this work will be remains to be seen. I have reason to believe that some are considering the question seriously, while many simply evade it.

We are greatly pleased with the aid and encouragement we receive from the Government employees stationed here. There are two families that scarcely miss a service and one of these united with our organized church at Warm Springs, driving the distance of 20 miles to attend communion. Surely God is good to us in this respect. The following donations were received:

W. M. S., Olympia, 2 barrels excellent second-hand clothing.

Rice and Phelan (Mail-Order House), box of toys for Christmas.

Sabbath School, First Church, Portland, toys for Christmas.

Very respectfully,

W. A. MATTHEWS.

Tama, Iowa.

To the Women's Board:—

As I review the year just closed much of joy and sadness crowds upon my thoughts. A number of faces are missing as I make my visits in the different homes. During the past year the death angel has come into our midst quite often and taken away a number of our people. There have been six more deaths than births since last annual report. During January an epidemic of whooping cough broke out and with it some cases of bronchitis and pneumonia. Several babies died.

There is a little increase in the Sabbath School enrollment—the present, 98. Average attendance was 36, which is also a little higher than last year. The wagon helped so much but on account of the sickness of Mr. Cooper's horse and then his selling him, we have not been able to run it since the first of this year.

One of the most encouraging features of the work is our students who are in boarding schools. During the year we have had eleven in Haskell, one in Flandreau, one in Carlisle and one in Santee Normal Training School. Of all the Indian Government schools I think Haskell must be credited with having the best moral influence over its students. Some of our pupils have been writing back of their wonderful religious meetings and how much closer they have been brought to Christ. One boy who has never before taken much interest in church writes that he gets up every morning for the morning prayer meetings which are held at 5:45. This is surely a proof of the Spirit's working.

It seems to me it would be wonderfully helpful if we could interest our young people who are going away to school in going to mission schools. We

read so much these days of the necessity of Christian colleges. If we need these for boys and girls reared in Christian homes, how much more necessary are Christian schools for those raised in heathen darkness and now coming toward the light. Why are such schools not as important in the home as in foreign fields? If our church cannot support one herself, why could she not contribute toward some school kept up by another denomination. We have had one student in Santee Normal school and he says he received more spiritual help there in three months than he had in five years in a Government school. Surely this is the kind of schools we need for our boys and girls. This school is kept up by the Congregational and Presbyterian churches. Santee estimates that it costs \$100 per year to support a pupil but with what work they do I believe they would be glad to accept any at less cost.

Our Junior Society and Catechism Class, which meets Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 8:30 at the school building are being well attended and usually have 18 to 20 present since the spring weather is here.

A Y. M. C. A. has been organized on the reservation, under the care of Mr. Rouillard, a Sioux Indian. The prospects are encouraging for a good organization in the near future.

Our Mesquakies are gradually waking up along all lines. In farming there is a wonderful improvement. They are one by one abandoning the wi-ki-ya-bi and building new cottages.

May God grant that next year may witness a spiritual awakening.

Respectfully submitted,

ORA E. HAFT.

Balance on hand, \$5.47. Received from Board, \$919. Received from Houston Y. W. M. S., (for Christmas) \$15.00. Received from Ravenwood, Chicago, (Mrs. Drake's Sabbath School Class) \$10.00. Total, \$39.66.

Expended. For Christmas, \$16.45. Relief, \$5.00. Band expense, \$4.00. Bible pictures, etc., \$2.00. Total, \$27.45. Balance, \$12.21.

ORA E. HAFT.

Respectfully submitted,

ADA K. WILSON, Secretary.

REPORT OF

MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

MANY AND precious are the promises which the heavenly Father has given to His distressed and afflicted children, and how often He verifies these promises through human instrumentality. One of the agencies which we believe He employs is our department of Ministerial Relief. We are profoundly grateful for the funds of this department, which enable us from time to time to bring comfort and

cheer into the darkened lives of some of the Lord's distressed and afflicted children.

For obvious reasons the names of the recipients of help from this department are withheld.

Our distributions last year amounted to \$2073.40, and those aided included disabled workers, widows, and fatherless children.

REPORT OF

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1915.

"O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good: for His mercy endureth forever.

"Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom He hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy;

"And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west, from the north, and from the south."

—Psalm 107-1-3.

ONLY THE words of inspiration could fittingly express our gratitude for answered prayers, for Divine guidance and for wonderful results during this time of financial depression and distress because of hideous wars in other countries. The lands in which our

Foreign Department is especially interested have been thus far free from any special attacks although Egypt has often been threatened.

INDIA.

Owing to war conditions no new missionaries were sent out by the W. G. M. S. last September, but the tired workers on the field were glad to welcome the Misses Jean Morrison and Fannie Martin back to the work which they love so well in February, 1915, after the usual furlough period.

Our responsibilities in India at date are as follows:

Support of fifty-one women missionaries.

Memorial Hospital, Sialkot.

Good Samaritan Hospital, Jhelum.

White Memorial Hospital, Pasrur.

Dispensaries at Sialkot, Jhelum, Khala, Bhera and Pasrur.

Girls' Boarding School, Sialkot.

Dispensary at Pathankote.

Girls' Boarding and Day School, Sangla Hill.

Home for Dispensary Workers, Bhera.

Home for Lady Missionaries at Sialkot, Lyallpur and Sangla Hill.

Elizabeth Gordon Home, Sialkot.

The Girls' Boarding and Day School at Sangla Hill is now completed. Eighty-seven girls have been enrolled this year. Government Inspector's report commends the school plant and also work done by teachers and pupils very highly.

The Women's Board decided to co-operate with the India Equipment Committee in its efforts to raise one hundred thousand dollars. As said Board is now contributing about one-third of the amount annually expended by the India Mission it was decided that about one-third of the sum expended could legitimately be given by the women of the Church with the understanding that all such gifts are to be over and above the usual missionary contributions; otherwise our general work would be crippled. By an understanding with the Foreign Board, India Equipment Committee and the Women's Board all undesignated money sent to this fund is to be divided by giving the Foreign Board two-thirds and the Women's Board one-third of the amount. All designated money is to go to the Board which bears

the responsibility of the institution or purpose designated.

The amount of cash and pledges coming to the Women's Board up to date are about \$9600.00. Not one penny of this money came from treasuries of Missionary Societies, but was raised specially for purpose named.

The annual report of the work done by our women missionaries in India was prepared by a committee appointed by the Association. Special photographs were sent, cover design and whole matter sent ready for the printer. It is a beautiful book entitled, "A Garland of Marigolds" and is to be sold for less than it cost to print; namely, ten cents per copy. No woman interested in Missions can afford to be without this book.

The Foreign Secretary is deeply indebted to the committee which prepared the book, as all she had to do was to read the copy as it came from the printer.

We have been called to part with five of our best loved and most useful workers during the year which has just ended.

Mrs. Violet Scott Ayers, a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Scott, so lately the bride of Rev. Ralph E. Ayers, was called to her heavenly home after a few days illness last June. She lovingly bade farewell to husband and friends, saying, "I did not dream that He wanted me so soon, but I joyfully obey His summons."

Second to hear the Master's call was Mr. W. E. Nicoll. He was the Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary of the India Mission; thereby coming in close touch with the Foreign Secretary of the Women's Board; a courteous gentleman, a devoted Christian missionary. Nothing was ever too much trouble to do in order that the work might be fully understood. His letters were always clear and his requests reasonable. In

addition to the work incident to the offices just named, he had charge of the Leper Asylum in Rawalpindi and the Government had such confidence in him that it gave him a large grant of money for the erection of dwellings and a hospital for the lepers and a residence for the associate superintendent. He was responsible for educational privileges and religious services and did much to relieve the monotony of their lives. We mourn him as a brother beloved, and our tender sympathies go out to his wife and fatherless children.

Our third bereavement was the death of Miss Emma Minger. We cull the following extract from a Memorial that was prepared by a fellow worker and adopted by the mission in India.

"She was born in Switzerland, 1878. Arrived in the mission field December, 1902. Died at Jhelum, India, the twenty-fifth day of January, 1915.

"After passing the first year's examinations she was assigned work in the Memorial Hospital, Sialkot, and continued in this work until her return to America on furlough. Her training as a nurse made her very valuable in this position, and her presence always brought help, comfort, and cheer to the patients. While Miss Minger was a skillful nurse she was first of all a missionary and faithfully brought the message of love and salvation to all to whom she ministered, and in the chapel, in the wards, and in the homes of her patients, everywhere, she lived the life that is in Christ.

"After furlough she was assigned work in Sangla Hill District where she spent a happy winter itinerating, and in the summer opened a small dispensary in the city where she spent the morning hours.

"In estimating her character, the

strongest superlatives are weak and utterly insufficient. She was quiet and retiring in her manner, but her heart was filled with strong and beautiful thoughts resulting in true and fruitful service. She loved to pray and to study her Bible. No day was so full of service that there was not time for the quiet hour.

"The years of her service in India were few, yet because she was weak in herself; because she was empty and clean, because she was wholly consecrated to the Master, the fruit of these years is rich and abundant.

"We mourn for her, for we miss her sweet fellowship, but we weep not as those who are out of Christ. We know that the Saviour has taken her home and that she hears His voice and is fully satisfied in His presence."

Our fourth bereavement was the death of Miss Elizabeth Gordon, lovingly known as "Auntie Gordon." She was born in 1824 in Pennsylvania. She was one of the party who sailed with her brother, Dr. Andrew Gordon, for India in the autumn of 1854; pioneers of the Church in a strange land with foreign language and customs. More than five months were spent in travel before they reached the Punjab where they planted the banner of the Lord. Her positions on the field were varied and responsible but successful in winning souls for the Master she loved.

After forty-six years of consecrated service, she returned to her native country to spend her declining years. She entered her heavenly home April 3, 1915. Her love for and interest in our work for India never abated one particle although she was so far away. On the very day of her death, a check was received at her home for money due her; her relatives knowing her anxiety for

the success of the India Equipment Fund sent it to the Women's Board as a contribution from "Auntie Gordon." "Her works do follow her."

Another member whom we had come to know intimately and to love earnestly during his eighteen months furlough was the Rev. J. W. Ballentyne, chairman of the India Equipment Committee. He was afflicted with an incurable disease and through all the months of suffering his faith never weakened nor his patience diminished. He was hard at work for India to the last day of his earthly existence and passed to his reward April 5, 1915.

Our sympathies and prayers go out for his widow and six fatherless children, whom he committed to the loving care of his Master; knowing that the promise to be a husband to the widow and a father to the fatherless would be fulfilled to the very letter.

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EDUCATIONAL WORK.

Girls' Boarding School, Sangla Hill.

Manager, Miss F. J. Jameson.

Enrollment, December 31st, 1914, 86. Receipts, Fees, Government Grant and Special Gifts, \$237. Granted from Mission Funds, \$1443. Total Expenditure, \$1776.

This is the first full year's report of this school which has been built with the generous contributions of the women of our home church. It is built on the cottage plan, a family of twenty-five girls, with a Christian teacher, occupying each cottage. "Though the school is still young, a fourth year class has been formed with an enrollment of nine. The Bible results were very satisfactory. The Government Inspectress was pleased with the secular work done by both pupils and teachers. After several months' trial, the cottage plan seems to

be ideal. Discipline is much easier and the burden of supervision and carrying on the work is lightened greatly for both superintendent and teachers. Each teacher feels a real interest in looking after the work of her own cottage. It is gratifying to note that the Inspectress of Schools of the Punjab has been so pleased with the buildings that she advised the members of another mission to adopt the same plan. Government has promised a building grant of \$3,333. A maintenance grant of \$139 has been made for the present year. During the year five girls have united with the church. A Christian Endeavor Society has been organized with 19 members. No one can join the society without making a promise to take an active part in every meeting. Once a month during the year a copper coin valued at half a cent has been given each girl for an offering in the church; on the other days nearly every girl who has any spending money contributes from that. It is a pleasure to see how gladly they give from their own scanty store. When the thank-offering was taken the sum given by the girls amounted to eleven rupees, about \$3.66. One gave a rupee because she had recovered from pneumonia, another, who had a tendency to tuberculosis, gave a rupee because she had kept so well; a third gave four annas because her father had been made an elder; another gave all she had because some sores had healed. Several gave special offerings because of successful results in examinations. Many of the girls gave every copper they owned and gave it with great enthusiasm and joy.

There has been a good deal of illness in the school this year, mostly malaria. Several times the long journey of a hundred miles has had to be made to Sialkot to get girls to a physician.

The following extract from report of Government Inspectress gives an interesting description of the school.

"The school was opened here in November, 1911. The first pupils came from a small mission school at Gujranwala; in fact, the school itself was for various reasons transferred from Gujranwala to Sangla Hill, and it has grown wonderfully. A plot of ground was purchased close to the rest of the mission property and outside the city, and the school buildings are being erected there. The grounds are large and the site good. The boarding and living arrangements are excellent. The Hostel is to be divided into seven cottages, each having from 20 to 25 girls with a teacher in charge. Each cottage has its own cooking, washing, bathing arrangements. The girls sleep in dormitories which are large and open; one of the long sides has doors and large windows, the other only wide arches, opening onto a verandah room. The room of the teacher in charge opens off the dormitory. The teachers have also a separate suite of rooms, consisting of dining and sitting rooms and a kitchen. Another cottage is to be used as a hospital. The school house is large, well ventilated and light. There are five class rooms and a large hall with a good deal of verandah space where classes might also be held. The buildings are arranged around three sides of a large quadrangle which will be used as a play ground. At the back there is a kitchen garden which will keep the school supplied with vegetables, etc.

"The girls have come from the villages around and live a simple, homely life. They do their own cooking and washing and make their own clothes. Later they may also be allowed to work a little in the garden. There are 86

pupils in the school at present. Several have had to be refused for lack of room, though when the building is finished there will be accommodations for from 140 to 175 girls.

"Staff. The teachers are well qualified, four of them being trained. Three hold Senior and one the Junior vernacular certificates. Registers. The registers are well kept and are correct."

Miss McConnell reports on the Girls' School in Lyallpur:

"In August an Indian teacher was secured and the girls who had met for two hours daily since April to study English, began the regular Government course for Anglo-Vernacular Primary Schools. The enrollment at the first of September was thirty, but opposition on the part of the Mohammedans reduced it to thirteen. Most of the parents were very unwilling to take their girls out of school, but could not resist the pressure of the Mohammedan community. The girls were sorry to leave and one cried for two days. Their parents recognized the good influence of the Christian teacher on their two daughters and rejoiced in their progress in the study of English. But word reached the old grandfather in another city and he came at once, very angry that the girls whose grandmothers and mother and aunts had always lived in strictest seclusion should go through the streets to a mission school. He declared he would not spend a night under his son's roof if a promise were not given immediately that the girls would leave school. The old man's word was law, and the tears and pleadings of the girls and their mother proved of no avail. The elder daughter expressed her gratitude that she had had an opportunity to know the Christian teacher and learn something of Christian teachings, and asked for our prayers. An-

other Mohammedan girl who had been visited in her home but who had shown no interest in the Gospel, became keenly interested when she entered the school and took part in the Bible lessons. She has written the teacher several times, since her parents' removal took her to another city, and always asks to be remembered in our prayers. The number on the roll at the close of the year is sixteen."

Miss M. R. Martin reports the number on the roll of the City Girls' School in Sialkot is 75.

"The inspectress pronounced the school to be in better condition than last year. This is due largely to changes in the staff, especially the securing of a trained Christian teacher who had finished the Junior Vernacular Training Course in the Sialkot Girls' Boarding School. The Inspectress was much pleased with the work of the two Christian teachers. Four girls passed the upper primary standard, three of whom will enter the Middle Department in the Government School. The Bible teacher has, as usual, done faithful, painstaking work, and the examining committee was pleased with the progress the girls had made. The school has been assembling for a few minutes at noon every day to pray for the war. It has been the custom for the girls to repeat the prayer sentence by sentence after the leader. As we make the plainest and strongest possible reference to Christ and His atoning work it means much that these Hindu and Mohammedan girls daily repeat these expressions of faith and trust in our Saviour."

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL.

Vernacular, Middle and Normal, Sialkot.

Mgrs.: Miss M. R. Martin, Miss E. B. Beatty.

Enrollment, December 31st, 1914, Christians, 181. Receipts: Fees, Government Grant and Special Gifts, \$1475. Granted from Mission Funds, \$3648. Total Expenditure, \$5123.

"The total number of girls attending school during the year was 227. The number enrolled at the end of the year was 181, a little less than last year on account of some going to the new Sangla Hill School. Even now, with the new part which accommodates twenty-five, we are crowded. Six girls went up for the Middle Standard Examination in February, and all passed. Two have gone to high school and the other four are here in the normal training class. Six appeared in the Normal Examination and all passed. The results of the Bible Examination were good. The course is a thorough one and when a girl has finished school she has a very good knowledge of the Bible and is able to go out and teach the Word to others. They are very familiar, too, with the Psalms. The spiritual life of the girls is good and the Sabbath School and three Christian Endeavor Societies have done earnest work. The Senior society gave their offerings to the Belgians. One of the girls came to me one day and said, 'I want to send every cent I have,' which was about twenty-five, 'to the orphans in Belgium.' Another said, when blankets were being given out, 'please give my second blanket to the poor of Belgium.' Their religious life is also shown by their faithful, daily attendance in the prayer room and the perfect order maintained there without oversight. Last summer the Rev. D. R. Gordon, D. D., held Evangelistic meetings for the congregation in different parts of the city. The girls

were bent on going no matter how much sacrifice was incurred."

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MEDICAL WORK.

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, SIALKOT.

Miss Maria White, M. D.

During the year, 1914, the Memorial Hospital has seen and relieved much suffering. In the dispensary 13,176 new patients were treated, of whom 6,575 were Mohammedans, 3,280 Hindus, and 3,293 Europeans, Eurasians, Indian Christians, and low caste people. The aggregate attendance at dispensary was 38,580 and the number of in-patients was 815.

In the Babies' Ward 21 have been accommodated—18 at one time—of whom ten were under one year of age and 13 were unable to walk.

The desire to learn of Christ is increasing among the patients from year to year. An Arya woman of good family who had submitted to a necessary operation said to my assistant, Miss Anderson, "I am so glad to learn of Jesus. Long ago a leaflet with His name on it came into my hands. I did not know who He was, but ever since I have been praying that I might learn more of Him and now I am here listening to His words." One day when receiving a painful treatment she began to pray aloud, a beautiful prayer, full of confession of sin, pleading for forgiveness and acceptance. When she had finished Miss Anderson advised her to offer her prayers in the name of Jesus. Next day being in much pain and anxious and troubled because her little boy had not been brought to see her, she prayed in the name of Jesus for the pain to be relieved and for help to bear the boy's absence. Both prayers were answered at once. In the afternoon she met Miss Anderson with a beaming face and told

her how her prayers had been answered and that in the future she was always going to pray in the name of Jesus.

The house to house visitation has been thoroughly done and the women have learned gladly. I receive daily requests for the Bible women to visit additional houses. Three Bible women instead of one would be required to meet the demand.

His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor of the Punjab, with the Commissioner of Lahore Division, and the Deputy Commissioner and Superintendent of Police of Sialkot District, visited the Hospital and His Honour made many complimentary remarks and proposed that the grant in aid from the Municipality be increased.

Four student nurses passed the examinations of the first three years and three that of the first year. Two received the Government certificate in midwifery.

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WHITE MEMORIAL, PASRUR.

Dr. Maria White.

The work has gone on satisfactorily under the supervision of Mrs. Maidment. I have made only monthly visits. In the fall plague broke out and it is still raging in the town and the surrounding villages.

There have been 62 in-patients and 7,075 new out-patients with a total attendance at dispensary of 18,320.

With the exception of Miss Faqira, who was transferred to the Memorial Hospital, Sialkot, the staff remains the same as last year. I am looking forward to the time when a doctor will be secured for Memorial Hospital, Sialkot, and I can give my whole time to the work in Pasrur.

In reviewing the work of the year I can only say with the Psalmist, "Praise

ye Jehovah. *** Praise Him, O ye servants of Jehovah. *** Whatsoever Jehovah pleased, that hath He done."

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GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL, JHELUM.

Miss J. P. Simpson, M. D.

There has been an increase in all lines of work in 1914. The daily average attendance at the dispensary last year was 62; this year 92. In the hot months there were frequently from 150 to 170 per day and occasionally almost 200. The total attendance this year was 33,695 as compared with 23,520 last year. The daily average of in-patients increased from 18 to 22 per day and the total number from 458 to 536. The women seem more willing to undergo the necessary operations, and come long distances for that purpose; unfortunately some have come too late, especially several cases of cancer on which we had to refuse to operate.

We have had more Hindu and Mohamadan maternity cases as in-patients than usual. They usually came after the Indian midwives had done their utmost and made them septic and were abnormal cases requiring operation, but all except one went away well. There were sixteen abnormal cases this year as compared with six last year and other operations are double what they were last year.

Our Bible woman is a daughter of one of the best evangelists in the mission and with her sister, who is head nurse, seems to have inherited some of her father's ability in apt illustration and makes the Bible lessons interesting and easily understood by the most ignorant village women. Many listen eagerly and learn Bible verses and portions of Psalms. Two professed love for Christ and showed considerable understanding of the Gospel, but have not confessed Him

publicly. An experienced Indian nurse has been placed in charge of the training of the junior nurses in practical work and an experienced compounder and two probationers, who show aptitude for learning nursing, have been secured.

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KARA DISPENSARY.

Miss J. P. Simpson, M. D.

There has been no resident worker in Kala this year, but the dispensary has been open twice a week except during vacation. During the 82 days it was open the average attendance was 31 which is ten better than last year. The number of new patients is 1,535 and the total attendance 2,594.

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BHERA DISPENSARY.

Miss Winifred Heston, M. D.

The attendance is larger than last year. In October the mission granted increased accommodation for a hospital which is being fitted up. Miss Morgan and Miss Aldridge have continued their faithful and successful work. They ask prayer for more fruit from their labours. They received a call recently from one of their old patients who had endured persecution for the truth and found her still firm in the faith. In the autumn a Mohammedan woman, of her own accord, sent her daughter to the Christian Girls' Boarding School at Sargodha and then to Pasrur, thus bringing her directly under Christian influence and instruction. Good results are anticipated in the cases of both the girl and her mother. "In due season ye shall reap if ye faint not."

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THE ELLIOTT DISPENSARY.

Miss E. W. Maconachie.

This second year has been one of continued growth. The Tehsildar adver-

tised the dispensary in the villages of the district and many have come and been helped. Several days ago a patient in giving her name said she had come 16 miles on foot and as she had been ill for three months she was much exhausted. She took lodging in town and came to the dispensary daily until she left for home almost well. The new

patients for the year were 5,630 and the total attendance 13,734. The staff is the same as last year and has done faithful work. The interest in the Bible teaching has increased. Many say without hesitation that Christ is the Son of God and quite a number join in the singing of the Psalms.

SUMMARY OF MEDICAL WORK IN INDIA.

INSTITUTION.	Physicians	Other Missionaries in Medical Work	Indian Assistants	Beds	In-Patients	Operations	Out-Patients, New	Total Attendance at Dispensaries	Fees	Government Aid and Local Receipts
Memorial Hospital, Sialkot	1	.....	11	125	815	1034	13176	38580	1766	2904
White Memorial Hospital, Pasrur .....	.....	.....	2	11	62	135	7075	18320	194	679
Good Samaritan Hospital, Jhelum	1	.....	9	33	536	405	9632	33695	852	1396
Kala Dispensary .....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	19	1535	2594	13	.....
Bhera Dispensary .....	.....	.....	1	3	52	72	9733	28074	321	400
*Sargodha General Hospital, Sargodha	1	.....	2	6	161	125	7210	9958	508	169
Elliott Dispensary, Pathankot .....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	95	5630	19364	230	832
Sangla Hill Dispensary .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1200	3000	57	353
Itinerating Dispensary, Sialkot .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	285	285	4	57
	3	1	27	178	1626	1887	55476	153870	3945	6780

*Owned and supported by Foreign Board.

EGYPT.

Quite a party of missionaries were ready to leave this country for Egypt last September. Sailing was delayed because of the request of the Ministerial Association of Pittsburgh and many other friends that the going out of the missionaries should be postponed. In January the way seemed clear and Miss Carrie Buchanan, Miss Marion Paden, Miss Minnehaha Finney and Miss Davida Finney, accompanied the party of married missionaries which sailed for Egypt reaching their destination in safety, Miss Davida Finney being our only new missionary of the party.

Our responsibilities in Egypt are:

Entire support of thirty-six women missionaries.

Martha McKown Hospital, Tanta.

Dispensaries at Tanta and Benha.

Girls' Boarding and Day Schools at Alexandria, Luxor and Tanta.

Day Schools for Girls at Karmons, Kafr el Ashri, Beni Suef, Fayoum, Mon-soura and Zagazig.

Mary Herron Rest Home, Ramleh.

The society of the First Church, Allegheny, Pa., has paid the entire sum needed for this much longed for summer home and has given it the above named title in honor of its first Recording Secretary and intends to support it.

Because of war conditions and increased cost of materials the Missionary Association in Egypt has delayed the erection of the Tanta Boarding and Day School for Girls.

At a recent meeting of the Association a committee was appointed to again

revise the plans for school building with the view of commencing work as early in the year as possible. The work on the buildings for Tanta Hospital was suspended in August last on account of war conditions and lack of funds. Notwithstanding all this Dr. Grant, physician in charge, has sent us a wonderful report (see July Magazine) of work done under the most difficult circumstances. We are earnestly praying that the Master will send us the much needed funds this summer.

The request was for \$30,000.00 for additions and changes in Tanta Hospital. For the first time in our history we have failed to get the amount needed in the time set. Up to date all we have on hand, exclusive of the Thank-Offering of 1914 which is not yet distributed, is about \$3500.

We earnestly desire to lay this matter upon your hearts. The hospital is needed, the money is needed and the Lord's people have the money. Surely you do not wish this building enterprise to be the first one to fail. We know our women are interested in this important institution and that you will send the money now that you know the conditions.

Miss Lois McCracken, Miss Mable Dickey and Miss Roe Williams were all ordered to America by the mission on account of ill health. After six months' sojourn in the homeland, Miss McCracken decided to offer her resignation which was accepted, the Board deeply regretting that the climate and the work seemed to be too much for Miss McCracken's physical endurance. Miss Williams and Miss Dickey are improving and we hope will soon be ready to return.

The missionaries in Egypt have worked hard this year to prepare and forward material for the annual report

of work done by our representatives in that country.

It is printed in a separate form. The cover has an original design and the pictures are all brand new, have never been printed before. This book like the sister book on India is to be sold at ten cents a copy. It is intensely interesting and unusual.

We have tried giving such reports free to delegates and others for postage, but are led by experience to believe that people appreciate more the things they pay for; hence we charge this small sum, hoping that it will help to cover the cost of printing. Only three thousand copies of each of these are printed hence those that are desirous of having them (and no one can do without them) must apply early.

SUDAN.

Our responsibilities in the Sudan are limited to the city of Khartum North where we own and maintain a Boarding and Day School for girls, and Wady Halfa where we support a Day School for girls in a rented building. Our American workers all reside in the school building, Khartum North, Miss Fannie Bradford, Miss Aulora McIntyre, Miss Elsie Grove and Miss Isabella Dight. The last named is a new worker who went out in January, 1915. Miss McIntyre has not been at her post since August, 1913, arriving in New York April, 1914. We are glad to say that she reports that she is improving and hopes to be able to return soon.

About sixty boarders have been cared for and eighty day pupils during the year. We regret that we are unable to enlarge the work in this needy field, but at the present time it seems as if our finances would not permit of the support of more than four missionaries and five

Syrian teachers for the management of the school at Khartum and two Syrian teachers for the school at Wady Halfa.

GENERAL.

We are very happy to report this year that our Board has elected the following named young women to go to represent the Church and the Master in foreign lands: Miss Martha Florence Strong, Miss Helen Jeanette Martin, Miss Mable Stewart, Miss Alice G. Burnham and Dr. Anna M. Jack to go to India. Miss Elizabeth Robertson, Miss Edna Jean Giffen, Miss Ruth Eddy to go to Egypt. All these elections were confirmed by the Board of Foreign Missions. If God wills, these young women expect to sail in September, 1915.

We send these out knowing that the Master Who has thrust them out will provide the means needed for their traveling expenses and support, *but* He will do it through *you*. We are deeply grateful to the many societies and individuals who have pledged themselves to pay the salaries of certain missionaries. We simply could not carry on the work as it is at present without their generous support. We urge you all to unite with us in the prayer that pledges may be sent sufficient to pay the salary of every missionary on our roll. The glad answer is sure to come if we are faithful.

Feeling convinced that we ought to give more public honor to individuals and societies who make so many salaries possible, we will with the consent of the Convention print an honor roll next year in our annual report.

We continue to be under obligations to Drs. J. P. McKelvey, J. E. Rigg and Caroline Marshall, members of the Medical Board, for their faithful service to the Master in giving their valuable time to the examination of all these

young women before sending them to oriental countries.

Miss Mary Kerr of Cairo, Egypt, left our service to enter the service of the Board of Foreign Missions because of her marriage to the Rev. W. R. Coventry, also a missionary to Egypt. Our prayers ascend for this new Christian home in the dark city of Tanta.

With a deep sense of our own unworthiness and inability to perform the great work to which the women of the Church have been called, we offer thanks to our heavenly Father for the results of the year just closed.

When we began work in 1883, one of the objects set before us was that God would enable us to report a cash balance in the treasury and all obligations met at the close of every year. By the blessings of the Master this desired result has been accomplished. For thirty-two years we have reported all bills paid and a small balance in the treasury.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1915.

Foreign Salaries.

Credit balance April 15, 1914	\$11,299.12
Receipts for year ending April 15, 1915	41,663.28

TOTAL\$52,962.40

Disbursements for year ending April 15, 1915	\$43,494.44
Credit balance year ending April 15, 1915	9,467.96

Foreign Mission General,

Credit balance April 15, 1914	\$ 2,604.00
Receipts for year ending April 15, 1915	53,881.57

TOTAL\$56,485.57

Disbursements April 15, 1915	\$53,607.93
Credit balance April 15, 1915	2,877.64
Estimates for Year Beginning June 1, 1915.	
For India about	\$42,000.00
For Egypt	36,174.00
For Sudan	8,397.00

TOTAL\$86,571.00

These estimates do not include any expense connected with the missionaries who will sail next autumn.

Praying that God will enable us through faith in His Son to undertake

and accomplish enlarged work during the year upon which we have just entered, this report is submitted.

MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL.

REPORT OF

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

THE UNITED Presbyterian Women's Association is a chartered corporation having control over three institutions: The Orphan's Home, North Side, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Columbia Hospital and Home for Aged People in Wilksburg, in the East End of Pittsburgh, Pa. This Woman's Association is the only organized philanthropic body under the care of the Church.

Regular monthly meetings are held on the fourth Friday of each month in the Assembly room of the United Presbyterian building, but the annual meeting is held the last Friday of October in the Fourth Church, North Side, Pittsburgh. Any person may become an annual member by the payment of one dollar yearly; a life member by the payment of twenty-five dollars at one time; or, a life director by the payment of one hundred dollars at one time. These members have a right to attend all meetings of the Association, vote on any question, and hold any office to which the Association may elect them.

And now we come to tell you that for another year we have been guided by the good counsel of the One Who said, "Lo I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." We have learned never to shirk, or to feel we are not able for any of the work the Lord has for us to do, "As thy day is, so shall thy strength be" is the motto ever held before us.

Power goes to those who can shoulder it, and responsibility is the possession of those who can get under the burden. The reward of work is more work and harder work. Yielding unto the Lord in Association Work has brought marvelous returns. We look upon every picture with a far or a near view. It seems like a far view to ask you to look across the continent this afternoon into our Orphans' Home Nursery and see the bright, rosy faces of our happy children, who are being as tenderly reared and as carefully guarded as in any other Christian home; or, into the Miller sitting room where on Saturday afternoon our dear old people gather to ask and recite the Shorter Catechism in preparation for the Sabbath day. Some may drop to sleep in that pleasant room and forget their age and what pain life may have had. In a recent view I had of that beautiful place, the flowers of Easter were upon the dining room tables and about the halls, showing, as is ever the rule in our three institutions, no holiday or anniversary is overlooked, but all are remembered and looked forward to. Columbia Hospital is the most pretentious of our institutions, perhaps, being the newest. If you were there this afternoon, order in everything would meet your eye, from the beautiful lawn under the trees where patients are

being allowed to come, to the most minute detail within, where means are being used, natural and artificial, to restore loved ones to their own.

Our Young Women's Auxiliary of each institution has been most faithful; there are twenty-five young women in each Auxiliary, as there are twenty-five women on each Board of Managers. It is wonderful the interest they take in the work, and the help they are able to give to each mother board apart from the light given by them to those who sit in shadowy places. When occasion comes they have shown they can really work, and we find ourselves depending upon them to do the many things younger women have time for, and later to fill the places left vacant by the mothers on the different boards.

ORPHANS' HOME.

We have had under our care during the year ninety-six children; applications were considered for the admission of seventy-three and forty-four children were admitted; eight were dismissed; of the number that went out two had reached the age limit, fourteen years. Three children were out on trial and were accepted, two by adoption and one by indenture. The number in the Home now is sixty-five; seven of these are temporary inmates. We have had fifty-nine cases of sickness during the year. Owing to a quarantine for measles during December, the children were deprived of school and church privileges for about a month. We had one death during the year, which was the second one in seven years. In addition to our general physician in the infirmary, we have felt the need for some time of specialists dealing with the eye, ear and throat. Dr. C. A. Wishart and Dr. M. D. Richie from the Staff of Columbia Hospital, were recently elected to fill

these positions. Through the kindness of the President of the Play Ground and Vacation School Association of Allegheny, the children have been provided with a story-teller and game teacher. One of these young ladies comes to the Home on Monday evening and the other one on Thursday of each week. We are always glad to know of persons or societies willing to aid us in the way of providing for memorial rooms, beds and cribs. Rooms are \$500, or \$25 a year; beds are \$200, or \$10 a year; and the cribs are \$100, or \$5 a year. With the help of the Young Women's Auxiliary there is joy and gladness brought to the hearts of the little ones by observing the special days. Christmas is indeed a glad time, when fruit, candy, books, toys, games, sleds, blocks, and wagons, gloves for every boy and a hair ribbon for every girl are given them, and a real Christmas party. At Hallowe'en they were presented with pears, grapes, pumpkins and nuts. Each child received a valentine; and at Easter candy chickens and ice cream. Owing to the limitations of our Home we have had to refuse many cases which appealed to us strongly; the committee is busy looking for a site for our new home, and we trust by another year we shall have something definite to report.

Donation Day is the first Thursday in June and anything of use where there are children or in a household, would be appreciated by the Association.

A girl of twelve years was brought from Pittsburgh with us to meet her sister into whose home she was going in Chicago. We saw the joy on both faces as the little sister passed from the care of our Orphans' Home, where she had been two and one half years, into the care of her own older sister, who could not look after her welfare sooner, who

looked the gratitude she could not speak for all she saw. The well dressed little girl with a pretty hat and new pink ribbon did not leave the woman who had her under her special care on the train without saying, "I had one grand day of travel."

THE HOME FOR AGED.

We told you last year of the need of an annex for our men's sleeping department. It has been completed since last autumn, and eleven bed rooms filled, our men having their sitting room in the usual place in the main building, a covered passage-way between. We have at present 77 in our home; 68 women and 9 men. A family of 92 is fed daily. Removing the sleeping rooms of the men is proving a help in affording more room for women. Applications for admission are constantly before the Board. Every Sabbath the spacious hall is filled with our family and visitors who come to hear the message from the ministers of the U. P. Church, who come from far and near to take their turn in preaching the Gospel to us. Communion service is held for all. One old man, especially, turned to us for aid, said, "I heard the place was always warm for those who are not able to go to church."

We have had three memorial rooms taken this year, in memory of Mrs. Sarah Jane McKee, Mrs. Samuel Mahood, and one well known before this Convention, Miss E. D. Brown. The last two named were managers of the Home from its beginning.

It takes \$300.00 to make a bed room memorial to some loved friend. We have still our guiding spirit, Mrs. Ecoff, the mother who adds to the happiness and comfort of all who are fortunate enough to belong to her household.

Last year \$14,353.06 was the necessary amount for maintenance, the manipula-

tion requiring much care. It takes from \$8,000.00 to \$10,000.00 monthly for our three institutions. Columbia helps always in surgical cases and serious illness of our old people and employees, as well as with the little children of the Orphans' Home. We work together, being indeed sister institutions.

COLUMBIA HOSPITAL.

As we look over the work of the past year in Columbia, we realize that the hand of our Father has been leading and guiding us all along the way.

In our report to you last year we stated that we hoped through the generosity of one of our managers to be able to build our new dining rooms in the very near future. Early in July, 1914, work was commenced and on December 29 our new dining rooms were opened by a Donation and Reception Day. A number of our friends gathered together to rejoice with us on the completion of our new improvements. A new automatic elevator was also installed at this time. The new dining rooms together with the kitchens occupy the entire fifth floor. They are well lighted on all sides and are most bright and cheerful.

The cost of the new improvements was \$32500 and was the gift of a friend who wishes her name withheld. She has been most ready to help Columbia in her times of need. We feel that our nurses now have the privilege of dining rooms equal to those in many of our homes.

During the year we have received most generous donations of fruits, jams and jellies from many of our churches and missionary societies. We wish to thank all those who have been mindful of Columbia's needs.

During the year Columbia's doors have been opened to 14 of our missionaries, representing a total of 418 hospital

days. In this way the Association has been trying in a feeble way to help the work in our different mission fields.

Columbia graduates a class of trained nurses each year. This year's class is composed of twelve young women and one young man. We are glad to have young men as well as women enter our Training School. The young women are required to spend three years in training and the young men two years. The exercises of the graduating class will take place on May 24th.

The members of our Young Women's Auxiliary are constantly planning ways in which they can help the work of Columbia. On February 5th the Young Women's Auxiliary gave a benefit concert for Columbia. The amount realized was \$1850.00

We appeal to the women of our church to show their interest in this branch of

our work, by the prayers as well as their gifts.

BEQUESTS THIS YEAR.

Orphans' Home.

Mrs. Mary B. Ashton	\$ 485.00
Miss Eleanor Porterfield (Balance)	350.82
Mr. John Porterfield (Balance)	2,765.30

Columbia Hospital.

Mrs. Mary B. Ashton	\$ 485.00
Miss Mary Boyle	1,188.21
Miss Eleanor Porterfield (Balance)	350.81
Mr. John Porterfield (Balance)	1,382.66

Home for Aged.

Mrs. Mary B. Ashton	\$ 485.00
Mrs. Eleanor M. Jamison	50.00
Miss Eleanor Porterfield (Balance) ..	570.88
Mr. John Porterfield (Balance)	1,382.66
Mr. John R. Wiles	314.27
Miss E. D. Brown	237.50

Miss Martha Warden left \$6000.00 to our three institutions. A request, her brother and sisters gave \$2,000.00 to each institution last week.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. S. B. DONALDSON.

GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD.

BY JEANETTE C. ALTER, FIELD SECRETARY.

ONE DAY I watched my mother cutting and sorting silk pieces for a rug; just a hit and miss rainbow of color it seemed then, but later, when the finished product returned from the weaver, I found it a beautiful mosaic, a fabric of fine, firm texture.

Today I bring before you a collection of facts and impressions, gleaned here and there, like mother's silk scraps, in the hope that you will find in them good filling for the fabric of our General Society, and timely suggestions for the workers at home.

My year's record shows 121 meetings held; 9 Presbyterials visited; 6 missionary organizations effected, with a con-

siderable amount of desk work between dates.

How good it is to feel that we are having a little more elbow room in our Convention program, freedom from the maddening hurry with so much crowded in and so much crowded out, and since we seem to have outgrown former limitations as our work has grown, I would be willing to vote for an extension of time at all succeeding Conventions. Certainly the keeping together of Holy Day, so fittingly crowned with the Thank-Offering services, is a blessed privilege we could covet for others another year.

A GENERAL DELEGATE FUND.

We are not all here—the delegates' roll is incomplete. A number of Presbyterials have no representative at this Convention, the places assigned to them are empty, and give back no answering voice, but they are eloquent with mute appeal—because we didn't "help every one his neighbor." The Isaiah 41:6 Fund was not taken seriously. It was designed to assist weaker Presbyterials to a representative at our general Conventions; to this end each Presbyterial was asked for a special voluntary contribution, but very few responded. The need of a general delegate fund is now too generally conceded to admit of argument; it remains for us to go about it in a businesslike way.

All told, we have about 30,000 women in our W. G. M. S. A yearly contribution of ten cents per capita will provide for a fund that will meet the traveling expenses of one delegate from each Presbyterial in the homeland church. Some of the more remote Presbyterials have never had a general delegate. We need them and they need the first-hand inspiration of this Convention. Let us, by our action at this Convention, say to them, "*Courage, little sister, we will help you next year.*"

"WHAT'S IN A NAME?"

Someone asks regarding the special support of individual pupils and native helpers in our mission fields, and suggests that results are not always satisfactory. While this plan does sometimes enlist an interest in a tangible way when a more general appeal would fail of a response, is it not true that it fixes limitations in giving, so that when societies or individuals who could give more than is required to support a child in some mission school excuse themselves from further effort on the ground that

they already have a share in the work? Other objections to this plan are hinted at in an extract from a missionary's letter as follows: "Another letter has come from a home society pledging the support of a little girl here in India, if I will send her name, history, photograph, etc., etc. I am heartsick over my last venture along this line. Two letters came in the same mail with this same request. I selected two of my most promising pupils, but I was not omniscient, one of the girls proved to be wholly unworthy, and the other one was taken away from school by her parents to be married to a heathen man three times her age. Can you imagine the effect of this news on those societies at home? Still another, a dear, bright, little girl whom the Juniors at L— are supporting, has been the recipient of so many messages and gifts, that the other pupils feel the contrast, and the good spirit of the school is disturbed. One of our Bible women is supported in this way by a Sabbath School class in R—. She cannot write in English, so I am the medium between them. She is good and faithful, but not picturesque in the least, so I must keep up the interest at the other end of the line by securing every incident in connection with her work. I sometimes wonder if my mission is to train the heathen for Christ or to awaken and maintain interest among the Christians at home. No one but the missionary knows how hard it is to attempt both.

Yours in perplexity."

A leaflet written by Dr. Robert E. Speer, entitled, "The Best Plans for Special Object Giving," suggests some good reasons why special object givers should be connected with a station rather than an individual. If our own plan does not lend itself helpfully to every condition let us turn to a better way

that will not fetter the missionaries and will develop interest in the cause rather than in a name.

YOUNG WOMEN'S WORK.

Recruits are coming in slowly. An alarmingly small per cent. of our girls and young women are in line with the Women's General Missionary Society. In addition to the time-worn and futile excuse, "We haven't time," many wish to be free to give just when they wish, and, in some cases, are drifting into work that is not even distinctively Christian. I am watching with interest a plan that is being tried out by one of our efficient women in the Middle West, to have the organized Young Women's Sabbath School classes of the congregation co-ordinate with each other in a general union, with the monthly meetings of the individual classes devoted to mission study and with a general secretary-treasurer to collect dues, make reports, etc. When a missionary organization is not practicable, young women will often cheerfully pledge a stipulated amount to Young Women's Special Work. Follow this up with a printed, daily prayer list of their five Young Women's Special Missionaries for their daily, personal use. What is more vitally important than conserving to our own church activities the splendid power and energy of the young women we want them to be?

THE TEMPERANCE QUESTION.

There is cause for jubilation over the fact that the women of our denomination are presenting a solid front on this issue, a large per cent. of them being allied with some of the organized movements against king alcohol. One said to me, "Our W. C. T. U. is almost made up of United Presbyterian women, and you can be sure the Temperance Department has a place at our monthly missionary meetings, and we can always fill any

gaps in the program with Temperance items," but, she continued, "I sometimes wonder if it is fair to claim so large a share of our missionary hour for Temperance when we give so much time to the W. C. T. U., it is only one of our departments after all." Yes, I am afraid we do neglect the missionary end of the work, and it recalled an old German proverb, "The good is ever the enemy of the best." I was once urging one of our own pastor's wives to lend her influence toward the organization of a missionary society in their congregation, but she declined on the plea that she had just been elected President of the local W. C. T. U. and would have no time.

Beloved, many of you know my attitude toward the liquor traffic, and God knows I have personal reasons for fighting this thing to the last ditch, but, first of all my Lord has commissioned me to a work that is primarily and distinctively missionary, which I can accomplish most effectively through the agency of our Women's General Missionary Society, and which as a loyal United Presbyterian woman I am first of all pledged to support. The European war is a tremendous factor looking toward worldwide prohibition, but missions in the war zone are paralyzed. All the world is looking to Christian America to lend a helping hand in this crisis of missions and we must not deviate from the path which has been so clearly indicated in the great commission.

THE MORMON EVIL.

Every Christian woman should be intelligently, intensively awake to this organized pestilence "that walketh in darkness and wasteth at noonday," an institution debasing to womanhood—and opposed politically, socially and morally to a Christian commonwealth.

Thousands of Mormon elders are teaching their system in every part of our country. Young men and women are being sent into our colleges and universities to proselyte, and we can counteract their advance only with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Among my lantern views is one showing a solitary wagon on a lonely stretch of road, just a living atom in the immensity of wilderness desert. As that wagon to the desert, so is the work of our Church in this Islam of America. The Home Board's share in the Utah Gospel Mission, one of the six wagons used in this work, was purchased, outfitted and equipped by a United Presbyterian—Major Burchfield. Mr. William Hutton of New Concord, Ohio, has done efficient work as colporteur and evangelist, traveling thousands of miles in his wagon, through Mormon settlements and adjacent districts, where 400,000 people are in dire need of the Gospel. The whole force at work cannot reach these isolated settlements oftener than once in two years, with the remedy for Mormonism where it exists, and the prevention of its spread into non-Mormon communities.

The Utah Gospel Mission's annual report for the year just closed is interesting reading. The workers receive only living expenses to overcome Mormon prejudice. Different denominations are represented, thus presenting an undivided front in Christendom, and meeting Mormon objections to sectarian work. Our church is supposed to pay \$1000 yearly to the support of this work, but has fallen short of this amount; for the past year the General Committee of Missions has cut it down to \$700. Our Assembly Committee has this to say

about Mormonism, "When intelligent men and women come to realize the danger of an institution characterized by a plurality of gods, a plurality of bibles, and plural marriage, the spread of Mormonism will soon cease," and since this institution threatens the life of the American home, in the name of womanhood present and future, let us before this Convention adjourns, voice our sentiment, weigh our attitude and purpose in no uncertain way, and let us lend a hand in fulfilling our Home Board's pledge of financial support to the *Utah Gospel Mission*.

Are you measuring up to the "Standard of Efficiency" as recommended and endorsed by our W. G. M. S.? If faithfully, intensively applied, it will bring unprecedented prosperity to every department of our women's work, and enlist a large share of the "silent two-thirds" among the women of our church. May the use of this standard be God's plan for disclosing to us the secret of His power in calling to renewed consecration and energy those whom He will use this year to the praise of His glory and advancement of His Kingdom.

I looked upon a sea, and lo, 'twas dead,
Though by Hermon's streams and Jordan fed,
Whence came a fate so dire? the tales soon
told,

All that it got it kept, and fast did hold,
All tributary streams found here their grave,
Because the sea received and never gave.
Oh see the dead! help me to know and feel
That selfish grasp and greed my doom will
seal,

Help me, oh Christ, myself, my best to give,
That I may others bless and like Thee live.

Respectfully submitted,

JEANETTE C. ALTER,
Field Secretary.

A STANDARD OF EFFICIENCY.

For Women's and Young Women's Missionary Societies.

- I. At least a ten per cent. increase in membership over statistical report of previous year.**
- II. (Sec. A). All missionary society funds to be sent through Presbyterial treasury to treasurer of Women's General Missionary Society, and designated for Women's Work. (Sec. B). A contribution to be sent to the Isaiah 41:6 Fund. (Sec. C). Increase in contributions to all departments of our Women's Work.**
- III. All reports, contingent fees, and pledges attended to promptly when due.**
- IV. A definite share in Home or Foreign Missionary's salary.**
- V. A prayer circle to meet at stated times, or at call of President.**
- VI. A ten per cent. gain in number of subscriptions to our Women's and Juniors' Missionary Magazines.**
- VII. A systematic study of mission study text-books, apart from the regular monthly meeting.**
- VIII. (Sec. A). A Young Women's Missionary Society or an organized Sabbath School Circle, auxiliary to our W. G. M. S. (Sec. B). A Junior Missionary Society or Little Light Bearers' Band.**
- IX. An increase in number of tithe payers in society, according to each woman's standard of giving.**
- X. Increase in Thank-Offering, with observance of one week prior to annual in-gathering, for daily praise, intercession and self-denial. 2 Tim. 2:15.**

ANNUAL MEETING

Of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, June 29, 1915.

THE ANNUAL Meeting of the Women's General Missionary Society was held in Assembly Hall, Publication Building, Pittsburgh, Pa., at 10 o'clock, Tuesday, June 1, and, no quorum being present, was duly adjourned until Tuesday, June 15.

There was no quorum on June 15, so a further adjournment was made until Tuesday, June 29.

On that date the meeting was called to order by Mrs. Samuel Yourd, First Vice President, in absence of the President. Mrs. J. D. Sands conducted devotional exercises, Mrs. J. P. Cameron and Mrs. W. R. Wilson led in prayer. Mrs. Sands then took the chair. Minutes of June 1, 1915 and June 15, 1915, read and adopted. Roll call showed the following persons present:

DELEGATES.

Allegheny Presbyterial: Mrs. W. R. Wilson, Mrs. A. D. Bolton, Mrs. W. L. Simpson.

Chartiers Presbyterial: Mrs. N. P. Aiken.

Westmoreland Presbyterial: Miss Florence Mattox.

Monongahela Presbyterial: Mrs. J. C. Hare, Miss Minnie McKean, Mrs. S. B. Donaldson, Women's Association.

BOARD MEMBERS.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Mrs. Samuel Yourd, Mrs. J. D. Sands, Miss Carrie Reed, Mrs. I. H. Milliken, Mrs. Ada K. Wilson, Mrs. R. C. Morton, Miss Jennie Clark, Mrs. J. B. Hill, Mrs. John S. Crawford, Mrs. R. Maurice Trimble.

LIFE MEMBERS.

Mrs. E. M. Hill, Mrs. Robert Hood, Mrs. Jas. Carothers, Mrs. J. P. Cameron, Mrs. W. S. Hawkins.

Mrs. John S. Crawford, Secretary of the Board, read the Minutes of the Convention held in Spokane, Wash., May 14-18, 1915, which were adopted after the following corrections were made: Mrs. Campbell stated that a committee had been appointed to revise the Standard of Efficiency and that Mrs. Alter presented it as Chairman of the committee.

The arrangement of Article 1 in report of Committee on Recommendations was changed by putting the last clause first, making it read, "It is recommended, when agreeable to the entertaining Presbyterial, in view of the fact that delegates gather from all parts of our Church for the Women's General Missionary Convention, believing that the work of this organization should receive more deliberate consideration, and that each Convention should have the privilege of a Sabbath Day's service, that the Convention be convened the Friday of the week of the second Tuesday of May, and be adjourned the following Tuesday evening.

Article 5 in the same report was changed to read, "That the Quiet Hour be given largely to prayer, and opportunity be given to members of the Convention to present subjects for special prayer."

Article 8, (Sec. A) of the Standard of Efficiency was changed by eliminating the words, "Sabbath School class."

The following reports were adopted:

Statistical Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Magazine Committee, Editor and Business Manager of Junior Magazine, Young Women's Secretary, Junior

Secretary, Temperance Secretary, Parsonage Secretary, Indian Secretary, Freedmen's Secretary, Home Secretary, Foreign Secretary, Thank-Offering Secretary, Association Manager, Ministerial Relief Secretary, Literature Secretary, Railroad Secretary, Field Secretary.

The payment of all approved bills was ordered. Meeting adjourned.

MRS. JOHN S. CRAWFORD,
Recording Secretary.

The Board met directly after the Corporation Meeting and re-organized as follows:

PRESIDENT: Mrs. H. C. Campbell.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: Mrs. Samuel Yourd.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: Miss Jennie H. Clark.

TREASURER: Mrs. J. B. Hill.

RECORDING SECRETARY: Mrs. John S. Crawford.

STATISTICAL SECRETARY: Miss Jennie H. Clark.

FOREIGN SECRETARY: Mrs. H. C. Campbell.

HOME SECRETARY: Mrs. Wm. S. Cook.

INDIAN SECRETARY: Mrs. Ada K. Wilson.

PARSONAGE SECRETARY: Mrs. J. D. Sands.

THANK-OFFERING SECRETARY: Mrs. Mary C. Porter.

TEMPERANCE SECRETARY: Mrs. R. C. Morton.

JUNIOR SECRETARY: Mrs. I. H. Milliken.

YOUNG WOMEN'S SECRETARY: Miss Ida B. Little.

EDITOR AND BUSINESS MANAGER OF JUNIOR MAGAZINE: Miss Carrie M. Reed.

FREEDMEN'S SECRETARY: Mrs. Samuel Yourd.

SECRETARY OF FINANCE: Mrs. Ada K. Wilson.

SECRETARY OF MINISTERIAL RELIEF: Mrs. R. Maurice Trimble.

LITERATURE SECRETARY: Miss R. Elizabeth Milligan.

RAILROAD SECRETARY: Mrs. R. Maurice Trimble.

FIELD SECRETARY: Mrs. Jeanette C. Alter.

AUDITOR: Mr. A. F. Sawhill.

ATTORNEY: Mr. W. A. Wilson.

MRS. R. MAURICE TRIMBLE,
Secretary pro tem.

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PRESENT ADDRESS OF MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY THE WOMEN'S GENERAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

INDIA.

Miss Roma Beatty, appointed 1909,
Sialkot City.

Miss Minnie E. Beatty, appointed
1912, Sialkot City.

Miss Lois Buchanan, appointed 1910,
Gujranwala.

Miss Mary J. Campbell, appointed
1884, Pathankot.

Miss A. Laura Cleland, appointed
1903, Sargodha.

Miss Henrietta Cowden, appointed
1905, Khangah Dogran.

Miss Margaret Fehlman, appointed
1913, Gurdaspur.

Miss Bessie Fleming, appointed 1913,
Sangla Hill.

Miss E. M. Gordon, appointed 1893,
Jhelum.

Miss A. M. Hamilton, appointed 1902,
Rawalpindi.

Miss L. B. Hamilton, appointed 1908,
Zafarwal.

Miss Nancy Hadley, appointed 1904,
Zafarwal.

Miss Jeanette Hopkins, appointed
1912, Khangah Dogran.

Miss Flora Jameson appointed 1903,
Sangla Hill.

Miss Mary Kyle, appointed 1904,
Pasrur.

Miss Olive Laing, appointed 1912,
Gurdaspur.

Miss Mary A. Lawrence, appointed
1893, Rawalpindi.

Miss M. E. Lawrence, appointed 1909,
Pasrur.

Miss Mary E. Logan, appointed 1891,
Jhelum.

Miss Elizabeth McCahon, Appointed
1875, Sialkot City.

Miss E. W. Maconachie, appointed
1909, Pathankot.

Miss L. A. McConnell, appointed 1902,
Lyallpur.

Miss R. A. McCullough, appointed
1879, Gujranwala.

Miss Mary R. Martin, appointed 1890,
Sialkot City.

Miss E. J. Martin, appointed 1896,
Pasrur.

Miss Fanny C. Martin, appointed
1895, Rawalpindi.

Miss Henrietta Moore, appointed 1898,
Sialkot City.

Miss Jean Morrison, appointed 1895,
Lyallpur.

Miss J. P. Simpson, M. D., appointed
1902, Jhelum.

Miss Nannie J. Spencer, appointed
1894, Lyallpur.

Miss Ruth Warnock, appointed 1913,
Sialkot City.

Miss Marie White, M. D., appointed
1886, Sialkot City.

Miss Dora Whitely, appointed 1911,
Zafarwal.

Miss Cynthia E. Wilson, appointed
1875, Madhopur.

Miss Rosa T. Wilson, appointed 1886,
Madhopur.

Miss Ethel Wilson, appointed 1913,
Sialkot City.

HOME ON FURLOUGH FROM INDIA.

Miss Emma Dean Anderson, appointed
1881, Point Marion, Pa.

Miss Hazel Bennett, appointed 1909,
New Wilmington, Pa.

Miss Laurella Dickson, appointed
1897, Tarkio, Mo.

Miss Lena Brotherston, appointed
1906, Gilbertsville, Mass.

Mrs. Alice McClure, appointed 1897,
New Wilmington, Pa.

Miss J. E. Martin, appointed 1906,
Pittsburg, Kans.

Miss Josephine White, appointed 1884, New Castle, Pa.

Miss Kate A. Hill, appointed 1896, Newton, Iowa.

Miss M. M. Wilson, appointed 1904, 439 Englewood Ave., Chicago, Ill.

EGYPT.

Miss A. B. Atchison, appointed 1904, Cairo.

Miss Mary E. Baird, appointed 1913, Tanta.

Miss E. M. Barnes, appointed 1911, Cairo.

Miss Carrie Buchanan, appointed 1893, Cairo.

Miss Leota Cabeen, appointed 1909, Alexandria.

Miss Anna B. Criswell, appointed 1905, Assiut.

Miss Ella Downie, appointed 1913, Benha.

Miss Helen J. Ferrier, appointed 1900, Luxor.

Miss Minnehaha Finney, appointed 1894, Tanta.

Miss Elsie French, appointed 1909, Zagazig.

Miss Davida M. Finney, appointed 1914, Cairo.

Miss Rena Hogg, appointed 1896, Assiut.

Miss Alfaretta Hammond, appointed 1904, Beni Suef.

Miss May Holland, appointed 1913, Tanta.

Miss Isabel Hosack, appointed 1912, Tanta Hospital.

Miss Roxie Martin, appointed 1901, Cairo.

Miss Olive T. Mason, appointed 1912, Alexandria.

Miss Anna McConnaughey, appointed 1903, Cairo.

Miss Eula McClenahan, Appointed 1908, Alexandria.

Miss Carol McMillan, appointed 1906, Tanta.

Miss Marion Paden, appointed 1902, Beni Suef.

Miss Mary M. Pattison, appointed 1912, Cairo.

Miss Nellie C. Smith, Appointed 1911, Alexandria.

Miss Margaret Smith, appointed 1872, Cairo.

Miss A. Y. Thompson, appointed 1871, Cairo.

Miss Sadie Thompson, appointed 1913, Tanta.

Miss Ida B. Whiteside, appointed 1913, Luxor.

Miss Ruth A. Work, appointed 1904, Assiut.

Miss Laura Walker, appointed 1904, Alexandria.

HOME ON FURLOUGH FROM EGYPT.

Dr. Anna Watson, New Athens, Ohio.

Miss Lois McCracken, appointed 1912, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Miss Margaret Bell, appointed 1901, Tarkio, Mo.

Miss Mabel B. Dickey, appointed 1912, Crafton, Pa.

Miss Roe Williams, appointed 1911, Los Angeles, Cal.

SUDAN.

Miss Fannie G. Bradford, appointed 1907, Khartum North.

Miss Elsie E. Grove, appointed 1912, Khartum North.

Miss Isabella Dight, appointed 1914.

HOME ON FURLOUGH FROM SUDAN.

Miss Aulora McIntyre, appointed 1911, Lenox, Iowa.

ENDOWMENTS, ANNUITIES AND INCOME.

MARTHA J. McKOWN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, TANTA, EGYPT.

Name.	Endowment.	Income.
Mrs. I. H. Jamison	\$1,000.00	\$60.00
John Denham and Sisters	1,000.00	60.00
Mrs. O. E. P. Stokes	1,000.00	60.00
Junior Missionary Society	1,000.00	60.00
Mary Gettis Carson	1,000.00	60.00
Margaret Armstrong Carson	1,000.00	60.00
Mrs. Eliza Clokey	1,000.00	60.00
Argyle O. Y. P. C. U.	1,000.00	60.00
W. M. S., Chartiers Presbytery	1,000.00	60.00
Mrs. Mary B. Reid	1,000.00	60.00
Jane Elizabeth Arnold	1,000.00	60.00
Margaret Louise Dales	1,000.00	60.00
Mrs. Margaret McKallor	1,000.00	60.00
William Harvey	1,000.00	60.00
Eleanor Porterfield	1,000.00	60.00
Rev. Alexander McLeod Milligan	1,000.00	60.00
Mrs. Lucy Young		72.00

GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL, JHEMUM, INDIA.

Anna Reid	600.00	36.00
Mrs. Sarah A. Reed	600.00	36.00
Mrs. Ellen Dean	600.00	36.00
Miss Lulu Dean	600.00	36.00
Mrs. I. H. Jamison and Miss Herron	600.00	36.00
Gordon Memorial	600.00	36.00
Mrs. Martha E. Wilson	600.00	36.00
M. A. Krohn	600.00	36.00
W. M. S., Mercer Presbytery	600.00	36.00
Junior Missionary Society	1,000.00	60.00
Jane Elizabeth Arnold	350.00	21.00
C. D. Bent	600.00	36.00
Paul Krohn	500.00	30.00
Junior Life Membership	350.00	21.00

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, SIALKOT, INDIA.

Mrs. Mary B. Reid	600.00	36.00
Three (3) Junior Life Memberships	1,050.00	63.00
Isabel Milligan	600.00	36.00
Jane Anita Milligan	350.00	21.00
Mrs. A. M. Stewart	650.00	39.00
Mr. J. M. Stewart	350.00	21.00
Margaret Williams	350.00	21.00
Mrs. Elizabeth Adair Currie	600.00	36.00
Edith M. Fulton	600.00	36.00
Jane Elizabeth Arnold	350.00	21.00
Mrs. Ella Easton McGowan	600.00	36.00

JUBILEE HOSPITAL, HENDERSON, N. C.

Junior Life Membership	500.00	30.00
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ANNUITIES AND INCOME.

Name.	Investment.	Income.
Mary Slemmons Fund	\$1,000.00	\$ 60.00
Avis Cornelia White Fund	2,500.00	150.00
Mrs. Margaret S. McClure	1,000.00	60.00
Mrs. Lawrence Johnston	1,000.00	60.00
A Friend	400.00	12.00
Jane Slemmons	500.00	

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1915

PRESBYTERIALS	Foreign Missions	Foreign Salaries	Home Missions	Indian Missions	Freedmen's Missions	Junior Special	Church Exten. and Parsonage	Ministerial Relief	Young Wo-men's Special	Junior Life Membership	Senior Life Membership	Women's Asso. Work				Contingent Fund	Isaiah 41:6 Fund	Miscellaneous	TOTAL
												Orphans' Home	Home for Aged People	Columbia Hospital	Temperance				
Albany	30.00	202.00	1287.00	288.00	508.00	32.00	202.00	133.00	25.00						72.00	10.00	77.20	130.00	391.00
Allegheny	2109.00	1720.00	655.00	36.00	487.00	308.00	5.00	15.00	5.00						18.00	5.00			7331.20
Argyle	25.00	276.00	99.00	36.00	15.00	33.00	30.00	15.00	18.00						4.00	5.00		1.00	1359.00
Arkansas Valley	240.00	637.00	273.00	120.00	202.00	68.00	56.00	67.00	183.00						28.00	5.00	35.00	25.00	805.00
Beaver Valley	294.00		100.00	15.00	50.00	14.00	6.00												1993.00
Big Spring	227.00		116.00	28.00	88.00	34.00	15.00	25.00	10.00						9.00	5.00			412.00
Boston	133.00	550.00	107.00	34.00	13.00		2.00	5.00							4.00				1013.00
Brookville	40.00	107.00	134.00	42.00	70.00	70.00	41.00	22.00	155.00						17.00	5.00	1.00		207.00
Butler	285.00	550.00	120.00	28.00	108.00	32.00	15.00	20.00	105.00				6.00	5.00	7.00	5.00	1.00		1462.00
Caledonia	303.00	286.00	120.00	28.00	85.00	77.00	15.00	15.00	45.00										1946.00
Cedar Rapids	71.00	555.00	43.00	165.00	85.00		5.00	15.00	315.00				11.00	8.00	45.00	10.00	1.00		1977.00
Chartiers	288.00	1605.00	388.00	136.00	188.00	181.00	54.00	45.00	315.00						9.00	5.00			3319.00
Charters	167.00	518.50	127.00	53.00	82.00	35.00	49.00	35.00	10.00				6.00	6.00	21.00	5.00	3.00		1093.50
Chicago	215.00	755.00	190.00	64.00	119.00	98.00	70.00	52.00	88.00				6.00	6.00	21.00	5.00	15.75		1712.75
Cleveland	167.00	518.50	127.00	53.00	82.00	35.00	49.00	35.00	10.00				6.00	6.00	21.00	5.00	3.00		1093.50
College Springs	58.00	1182.00	89.00	29.00	63.00	95.00	22.00	17.00	22.00				13.00	8.00	29.00	5.00	9.00	2.00	1667.00
Colorado	125.00	503.00	80.00	39.00	71.00	30.00	26.00	19.00	45.00						1.00	8.00	3.00		950.00
Concordia	30.00	120.00	31.00	5.00	17.00														203.00
Conemaugh	25.00	450.00	25.00	5.00	34.00	36.00	5.00	10.00	18.00				2.00	5.00	15.00	5.00			598.00
Delaware	136.00	531.00	69.00	65.00	99.00	21.00	5.00	10.00	20.00						5.00	5.00			986.00
Des Moines	31.00	466.00	46.00	39.00	30.00	57.00	15.00	11.00	55.00						5.00	5.00			760.00
Detroit	249.00	108.00	78.00	7.00	67.00		10.00	12.00	52.00					3.00	11.00	5.00			600.00
Frankfort	75.00		42.00		31.00	10.00													158.00
Frankfort	104.00	167.00	41.00	14.00	17.00	8.00	7.00	5.00	25.00						5.00	10.00			393.00
Garnett	96.00		35.00	10.00	20.00											1.00			171.00
Hudson			19.00	13.00	9.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	14.00							11.00			108.00
Idaho	40.00		51.00	27.00	35.00	46.00	8.00	3.00	16.00										273.00
Illinois Central	56.00	10.00											2.00	2.00	5.00				1167.65
Illinois Southern	35.00	935.65	25.00	13.00	39.00	87.00	8.00	4.00							10.00				625.00
Indiana	45.00	308.00	79.00	23.00	53.00	33.00	24.00	10.00	45.00						5.00				625.00
Indiana Northern	37.00	23.00	14.00	3.00	23.00	14.00		1.00							2.00				117.00
Iowa Northwestern	38.00	25.00	10.00	15.00	18.00	13.00									7.00				126.00
Kansas City	67.00	210.00	53.00	21.00	39.00	12.00	8.00	10.00	20.00						5.00	5.00	1.10		451.10
Keokuk	29.00	500.00	153.00	4.00	30.00	13.00	5.00	2.00	65.00						5.00	5.00			809.00
Klamath	198.00	60.00	118.00	29.00	104.00	56.00	10.00	6.00	98.00						24.00	5.00		1.00	709.00
Klamath	218.00	393.00	216.00	22.00	128.00	36.00	44.00	19.00	93.00					15.00	5.00	5.00	7.00		1209.00
Lake	37.00	93.00	30.00	4.00	17.00	2.00													183.00
LeClaire	37.00		30.00																183.00
Los Angeles	45.00	550.00	236.00	69.00	143.00	34.00	61.00	50.00	66.00						25.00	10.00	6.00		1665.00
Mansfield	134.00	150.50	47.00	18.00	28.00	4.00	5.00	2.00							1.00				391.50
Mercer	87.00	1050.00	37.00	50.00	81.00	110.00	32.00	10.00	136.00				6.00	7.00	12.00	5.00	2.00		1739.00
Monmouth	112.00	528.00	180.00	33.00	100.00	49.00	25.00	10.00	98.00						18.00				1153.00
Monongahela	1753.00	6828.00	3129.00	295.00	1264.00	520.00	258.00	207.00	408.00						132.00	110.00		7.00	14924.00
Muskegon	244.00	806.00	17.00	49.00	110.00	100.00	52.00	22.00	60.00				5.00		15.00	2.00			1592.00
New Jersey	100.00		64.00		8.00	13.00			25.00										210.00
Ohio First	123.00	650.00	200.00	17.00	88.00	56.00	63.00	45.00	40.00						6.00	5.00			1293.00
Ohio	35.00	50.00	25.00	9.00	17.00	8.00													144.00
Omaha	75.00		74.00	38.00	63.00	5.00	11.00	11.00	77.00						5.00				359.00
Oregon	81.04	324.20	59.00	25.00	40.00	5.00	10.00	14.00											558.24
Pawnee	59.00		65.00	26.00	40.00	10.00	27.00	5.00							6.00				238.00
Philadelphia	403.00	550.00	209.00	55.00	85.00	78.00	39.00	1.00	32.00				3.00	11.00	14.00	20.00			1320.00
Pittsburgh	51.00	25.00	15.00	22.00	32.00														145.00
Puget Sound	105.00	80.00	30.00	36.00	52.00	5.00	6.00	7.00	11.00				4.00	2.00	6.00	13.00			434.00
Rock Island	179.00		32.00	45.00	78.00		19.00	21.00	94.00				3.00	3.00	3.00	1.00			572.00
San Francisco	159.00	491.00	50.00	56.00	48.00	26.00	3.00	4.00											843.00
Sidney	253.00		114.00	17.00	70.00	16.00	3.00	8.00							3.00	1.00			500.00
Spokane	30.00	40.00	29.00	3.00	2.00		3.00	2.00					2.00	2.00	2.00			1.00	112.00

Steubenville	191.00	300.00	100.00	15.00	83.00	8.00	47.00	10.00	51.00	10.00	5.00	10.00	5.00	3.00	3.00	12.00	1.00	820.00
Tennessee	25.00		22.00	18.00	66.00	16.00			5.00									165.00
Texas	10.00	100.00	9.00	12.00	12.00	2.00	5.00	3.00								2.00		171.00
Uncompahgre	10.00			5.00	6.00		7.00											22.00
Vermont	5.00		15.00	6.00	17.00			4.00									80.00	130.00
Westmoreland	388.00	765.00	492.00	129.00	171.00	124.00	135.00	100.00	47.00			5.00				8.00		2384.00
Wheeling	354.00	512.00	282.00	36.00	115.00	29.00	19.00	29.00				5.00				7.00		1392.00
Wisconsin	59.00		34.00	23.00	50.00		2.00	7.00								19.00		191.00
Xenia	257.00	912.00	237.00	56.00	112.00	73.00	53.00	38.00	50.00			13.00				8.00	5.00	1314.00
The Barnes Family		137.50																137.50
Y. P. C. U., Conemaugh		143.00																143.00
Miss J. K. Denham & Bro.		275.00																275.00
Mr. & Mrs. W. L. Taylor		450.00																450.00
1st Indianapolis Cong.																		450.00
Miss A. A. Milligan		550.00																550.00
Rev. J. K. McClurkin, D. D.		1600.00																1600.00
McFarland Family																		650.00
S. S. Norris Square, Phila.		500.00																500.00
North Bend Cong.		500.00																500.00
Mr. & Mrs. G. M. Faden		200.00																200.00
S. S., 10th Church, Phila.		375.00																375.00
Traer Cong.		550.00																550.00
Miss Anne Wilson		500.00																500.00
Friends, 1st Wilkinsburg		450.00																450.00
"Friends"		550.00																550.00
Frenchburg Dis. & Tutions			833.15		700.80													833.15
Industrial Depts.		18.26	465.93		67.50													700.80
Interest												16.50	2745.17					6612.13
Com., Perm. Equip., India		1896.00																4445.41
Repayments on Loans			210.25															20294.36
Refunds		37.39	2.00	14.69	21.15		81.36	35.00										1905.93
Individuals		330.30	75.10	10.00	44.20	2.00		6.00				500.00				9.10		131.59
Legacies																		1404.70
Convention Offering, 1914												47.71						8830.50
Items of Cents												4.62						4.62
Daughters of the King, Fowler		27.25																27.25
Warm Spring Cong.		5.00		2.00														10.00
M. S. Class, 1st N.S., Pgh.		35.00																35.00
Annuity, Jane Slemmons																		500.00
S. S. C., 1st Wash., Pa.					5.00													5.00
Junior Mla. Asso.						25.00												25.00
Y. W. M. S., Indianola		160.00																160.00
W. B. Class, Sewickley		25.00																25.00
Noy Steele					100.00													100.00
Prim. Dept., Walton, N. Y.						6.00												6.00
Mission Band, W. Middlesex						2.00												2.00
Missionaries Children, India						3.00												3.00
Y. P. C. U., Kortright, N. Y.		9.00																9.00
Y. P. C. U., Springfield						3.00												3.00
S. S., Monmouth, Cal.			14.11															14.11
W. M. S., Clearfield																2.00		2.00
Prairie S. S. & Y. P. C. U.					7.00													7.00
1913 Thank-Offering	1437.98	37265.61	12543.54	2552.69	6458.65	3191.00	20803.54	1216.00	3055.00			16.50	3510.50	233.00	71.00	85.00	685.10	16437.61
Actual Receipts	30268.94	5.00	6010.00	2309.00	15010.08	8.36	2000.00	509.03	12.00	1010.00	4025.00	151.19						8527.95
Transfers	44676.32	37279.61	13553.54	4852.69	21468.73	3199.36	22803.54	1725.03	3067.00	1010.00	4041.50	3661.69	233.00	71.00	85.00	685.10	333.05	22868.56
Grand Total	8894.01	4392.67	6294.11		470.00			100.00			550.00							10030.14
	53570.93	41803.28	24847.95	4852.69	21938.73	3199.36	22803.54	1825.03	3067.00	1010.00	4591.50	3661.69	233.00	71.00	85.00	685.10	333.05	32995.70

LEGACIES: Mrs. J. S. Barr, \$500.00; Mrs. Mary B. Ashton, \$7135.00; Agnes Melville, \$95.00; Miss M. J. Conner, \$100.00; Miss E. D. Brown, \$432.50; Mrs. Jason Young, \$30.00; Mr. D. C. McVean, \$314.35; Miss Juliette McVean, \$193.75.
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ANNUAL REPORT.

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TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church
of North AmericaTREASURER'S STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND BALANCES FOR
THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1915.

	Bal. April 15, 1914		Receipts	Disbursements	Bal. April 15, 1915	
	Dr.	Cr.			Dr.	Cr.
Foreign Missions, General			\$ 45800.07	\$ 45800.07		
Foreign Missions, Salaries	11299.12		41663.28	43494.44		9467.96
Girls' School, Sialkot	214.57		740.00	848.00		106.57
Girls' School, Sangla Hill	42.00		638.00	373.00		307.00
Girls' School, Luxor	218.42		317.00	484.00		51.42
Sialkot Hospital	349.22		912.00	717.00		544.22
Jhelum Hospital	115.59		772.00	763.00		124.59
Tanta Hospital	1061.00		2388.00	2236.00		1213.00
Foreign Missions, Special	583.84		2003.86	2056.86		530.84
Home Missions, General	15162.57		24847.95	22274.45		17736.07
Indian Missions, U. S.	2948.84		4852.69	6582.44		1219.09
Freedmen's Mission, Gen'l			21938.73	21730.82		207.91
Church Ex. & Parsonage	6558.33		22803.54	17909.30		11452.57
Junior Special	2450.05		3199.36	5649.41		
Young Women's Special			3067.00	3067.00		
Ministerial Relief	674.30		1825.03	2073.40		425.93
Orphans' Home, Allegheny			283.00	283.00		
Columbia Hospital			85.00	85.00		
Aged Peoples' Home			71.00	71.00		
Contingent Fund			3661.69	3661.69		
Life Memberships, Senior			4591.50	4591.50		
Life Memberships, Junior			1010.00	1010.00		
Temperance	528.62		685.10	657.66		556.06
Loan Investments	23289.05		793.68		22495.37	
Legacies			8860.50	1695.50		7165.00
Women's Missionary Mag.			240.00	240.00		
Home, New Wilmington			212.25	212.25		
Girls' School, Tanta	16867.68		12840.22			29707.90
Mary Herron Rest Home	19.36		310.64	330.00		
Junior Magazine Reserve	322.00		18.00			340.00
Hanna Memorial	22.00		4500.00	4522.00		
Isaiah 41:6 Fund			333.05	333.05		
India Perm. Equip. Fund			4445.41			4445.41
Annuities and Interest			775.00	275.00		500.00
			221484.55	194026.84		
Less Transfer of Funds			30731.23	30731.23		
TOTALS	\$23289.05	\$59437.51	*\$190753.32	\$ 163295.61	\$ 22495.37	\$ 86101.54

Cash Balance on Hand April 15, 1914 \$ 36148.46
 Receipts for the Year Ending April 15, 1915 190753.32

TOTAL 226901.78
 Disbursements for the Year Ending April 15, 1915 163295.61

Cash Balance on Hand April 15, 1915 \$ 63606.17

I have examined the accounts of Mrs. J. B. Hill, Treasurer, for the year ending April 15, 1915. The bookkeeping is excellent, and as usual strictly correct. Above is a correct statement of receipts and disbursements during the year and of balances at the beginning and close of the fiscal year ending April 15, 1915.

A. F. SAWHILL, Auditor.

*Receipts include the 1913 Thank-Offering, \$67867.55.

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A Message.

For years, our world has been a great jolly world, given over to laughter and joy. Night has been turned into day and the Sabbath has been almost universally desecrated in this mad rush for pleasure. Today, the world is a suffering world. Dr. Watson wrote from England that Britain is a nation in tears. Dr. Mott writes from the continent that Europe is stretched upon a cross. He has seen the little rivulets of pain trickling out in the hospitals. He has seen rivers of pain in the railway trains bearing the wounded back from the front. He has seen Holland turn a theatre into a shelter for refugees.

Will America Stop and Think?

For years Christ has been calling upon the young people through the Student Volunteer Movement to give themselves to world evangelization. Leaders asked for 20,000 from America, Canada, Britain, and Germany, and were told they asked too much. Now, Britain, alone, gives 13,000 a week in this cause of world destruction. Dr. Watson was told that there is not a student in either Oxford or Cambridge who could meet the medical requirements who had not volunteered for war. Dr. Mott says that all the students in the six Protestant Calvinist Theological Seminaries of Hungary have gone to the front.

Will America Stop and Think?

When this Christian Student Movement has been able to secure volunteers for missionary work, parents have put their hands upon them and have said that they would not give them up: that Christ had no right to ask it of them: that they were dependent upon them for their support. Today, wives are giving their husbands, parents are giving ALL their sons and the end is not yet.

Will America Stop and Think?

In many Christian homes girls have been petted, servants have been employed to do the work that their hands may be kept suitable for the piano and embroidery; their ears have not been allowed to hear the appeal of Christ that light might be carried to the sisters in darkness. Today, millions of girls have become the wage earners of nations. They who could have carried the Bread of Life to countless souls are actually forced to help manufacture the instruments of death, that splendid manhood may be mown down like grass—that the leaders of the great world enterprises of the future may be shot down like dogs in this fearful carnage!

Will America Stop and Think?

Christ has been pleading for the best that is in us to be used for the highest good of the race. We would not heed. Now, rulers of nations are calling forth the lowest passions in man to be used for the destruction of the race. Millions have heeded—willingly or unwillingly, but they have heeded.

And America Must Take Heed.

America must stop and think. We must enter into fellowship with the sufferings of Christ. We must take up the burden which Europe had laid down. We must man the mission posts that they have abandoned. We must finance the enterprises that they have launched. We must keep the banner of Christ floating wherever it has once been raised. The world looks to America to provide the leaders, the workers, the money for the missionary operations of this generation, and perhaps for the next one, too.

America MUST Stop and Think.

—Anna A. Milligan.

"Sojourner Truth"

BY HALLIE Q. BROWN, WILBERFORCE, OHIO.

"Isabella," the subject of this sketch was a slave for forty years in the State of New York. She was the mother of six children, and had seen five of them and her husband sold "away down South." She clung with desperation to her youngest child—a boy. But the evil day came when she saw him sold to a "slave trader" to enable her master's only son to attend college. Iron entered her soul. She grew vindictive and bitterly cried out, "Master, may God deal with you as you have with me." Only a short time elapsed when his son was brought home a mangled corpse, thrown by a vicious horse. Her heart relented and she said, "O God, I didn't know it would come so soon."

Slavery was abolished throughout New York State in 1817, but "Isabella" toiled on in bondage. Her master promised if she were diligent and obedient he would set her free within a year. Faithfully she served and at the end of twelve months claimed his promise. She was indignantly refused and threatened with a sound flogging. That night she left by the "*Under-ground Railroad*," fleeing in terror and never stopping to rest. Next morning found her miles away. She was befriended by a family belonging to a small sect of Christians which has won itself special honor—"The *Society of Friends*." When time has given a needed perspective—a halo will shine around the heads of these modern crusaders whose loftiest aim has been to rescue, not the tomb of Christ, but humanity, the temples of His living presence.

"Isabella" was tenderly cared for in this Christian home till her fear was gone and her strength returned. She was accorded treatment she never thought possible a poor, runaway slave could receive.

Later she went to New York City. A great revival of religion was in progress. She accepted Christ and at once her wonderful gifts of speech and song burst forth—going from city to city—from state to state—in church, on platform, at camp meetings—speaking with convincing power and turning thousands from darkness to light.

Then she tells us she did not want to carry her old slave name, "Isabella," into her marvellous freedom of body and soul, so she asked God to give her a new name and "*Sojourner*" was given,

because she was not to tarry, but go up and down the land preaching light and liberty to the wretched and the out-cast. A while later she asked God to give her another name, as everybody else had two names, so *Truth* was given because she was to preach the truth.

Sojourner Truth was one of the most remarkable characters of the past century. She was a preacher, a lecturer, a debater and a bold reformer in the cause of human rights. Her subjects were, "Repentance," "The Downfall of Slavery," "Woman Suffrage," and "Temperance." She made three visits to the White House to tell the President of her "visions" and Abraham Lincoln was sneered, laughed at and caricatured by pulpit, press and public because he gave audience to an old black woman with a fantastic turban and an apron. Whether her "message" was heeded or not, we know her prophecy came true.

She was a valuable factor in the cause of Suffrage forty years ago, saving the day on many occasions. Numerous instances can be given, especially of a great meeting in Ohio, when leading Suffrage women became terrified at the presence of the black sister, declaring she would "Kill the cause." But when she spoke, the tide was turned and victory perched upon their banners.

After Emancipation she became a "Flaming Sword" for Temperance reform. On several occasions she met two or three gentlemen—lawyers and statesmen—in public debate and by her logic, keen wit, satire and repartee, proved the fallacy of their argument and vanquished her opponents.

The writer visited Sojourner Truth during her last days in the city of Battle Creek, Mich., and heard from her lips much of this interesting history so replete with startling facts and thrilling incidents.

Soon after John Brown had been executed at Harper's Ferry, a meeting was held in Old South Church, Boston. All the abolitionists were there and a gloomy gathering it was. Frederick Douglass spoke in despondent terms. Then this sibyl arose—a tall gaunt figure, arrayed in black, white turban, kerchief and apron, and pointing her bony finger, said, "*Frederick, is God dead?*" These words turned that meeting into a jubilee. Harriet Beecher Stowe said, "I never knew a person with so much of that subtle, controlling power called 'influence' as Sojourner Truth." Much remains to be told of this unique character who is one of the Heroines in Homespun.

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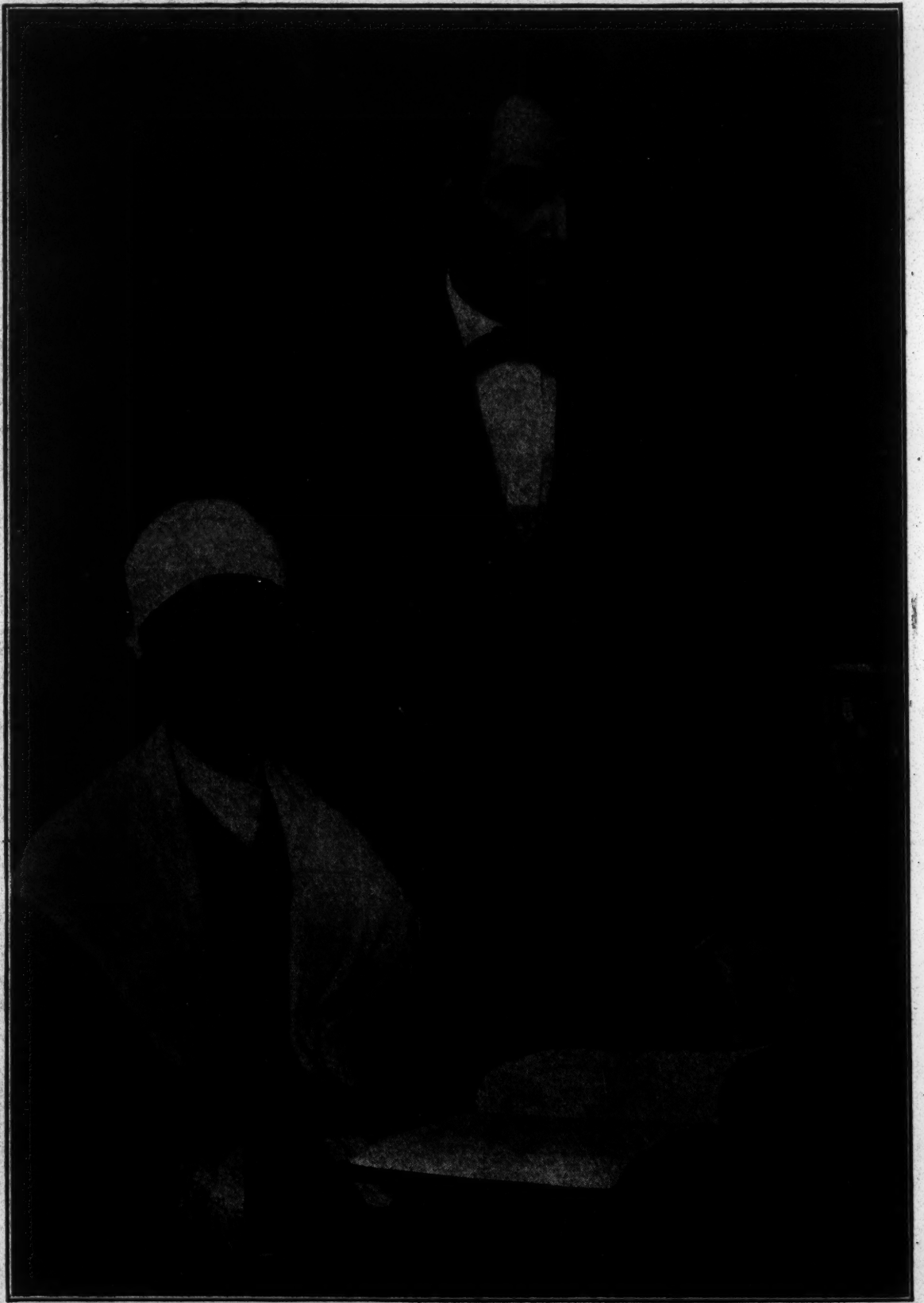
Sojourner Truth was one of the most remarkable characters of the past century. She was a preacher, a lecturer, a debater and a bold reformer in the cause of human rights. Her subjects were, "Repentance," "The Downfall of Slavery," "Woman Suffrage," and "Temperance." She made three visits to the White House to tell the President of her "visions" and Abraham Lincoln was sneered, laughed at and caricatured by pulpit, press and public because he gave audience to an old black woman with a fantastic turban and an apron. Whether her "message" was heeded or not, we know her prophecy came true.

She was a valuable factor in the cause of Suffrage forty years ago, saving the day on many occasions. Numerous instances can be given, especially of a great meeting in Ohio, when leading Suffrage women became terrified at the presence of the black sister, declaring she would "Kill the cause." But when she spoke, the tide was turned and victory perched upon their banners.

After Emancipation she became a "Flaming Sword" for Temperance reform. On several occasions she met two or three gentlemen—lawyers and statesmen—in public debate and by her logic, keen wit, satire and repartee, proved the fallacy of their argument and vanquished her opponents.

The writer visited Sojourner Truth during her last days in the city of Battle Creek, Mich., and heard from her lips much of this interesting history so replete with startling facts and thrilling incidents.

Soon after John Brown had been executed at Harper's Ferry, a meeting was held in Old South Church, Boston. All the abolitionists were there and a gloomy gathering it was. Frederick Douglass spoke in despondent terms. Then this sibyl arose—a tall gaunt figure, arrayed in black, white turban, kerchief and apron, and pointing her bony finger, said, "*Frederick, is God dead?*" These words turned that meeting into a jubilee. Harriet Beecher Stowe said, "I never knew a person with so much of that subtle, controlling power called 'influence' as Sojourner Truth." Much remains to be told of this unique character who is one of the Heroines in Homespun.



"SOJOURNER TRUTH" AND ABRAHAM LINCOLN